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FROM THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC

An Important Letter from Gen. Burnside.

HIS EXPLANATION OF RECENT EVENTS.

Why the Battle of Fredericksburgh was Fought, and what Prevented Success.

HIS RESPONSIBILITY ACKNOWLEDGED.

The Army not Demoralized or Disorganized.

Our Loss in Killed 1,192; in Wounded, 9,000; in Prisoners, 700.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC,
FALMOUTH, Dec. 19, 1862.

Major-Gen. H. W. Halleck, General-in-Chief, United States Army, Washington:

GENERAL: I have the honor to offer the following reasons for moving the Army of the Potomac across the Rappahannock sooner than was anticipated by the President, the Secretary of War, or yourself, and for crossing at a point different from the one indicated to you at our last meeting at the President's.

During my preparations for crossing at the place I had first selected, I discovered that the enemy had thrown a large portion of his force down the river and elsewhere, thus weakening his defences in front, and I also thought I discovered that he did not anticipate the crossing of our whole force at Fredericksburgh, and I hoped by rapidly throwing the whole command over at that place to separate, by a vigorous attack, the forces of the enemy on the river below from the forces behind and on the crest in the rear of the town, in which case we could fight him with great advantage in our favor

To do this we had to gain a height on the extreme right of the crest, which height commanded a new road lately made by the enemy for purposes of more rapid communication along his lines, which point gained, his positions along the crest would have been scarcely tenable, and he could have been driven from them easily by an attack on his front in connection with a movement in the rear of the crest.

How near we came to accomplishing our object future reports will show. But for the fog and unexpected and unavoidable delay in building the bridges, which gave the enemy twenty-four hours more to concentrate his forces in his strong positions, we would almost certainly have succeeded. In which case the battle would have been, in my opinton, far more decisive than if we had crossed at the places first selected. As it was we came very near success.

Failing in accomplishing the main object, we remained in order of battle two days—long enough to decide that the enemy would not come out of his strongholds to fight us with his infantry—after which we recrossed to this side of the river unmolested, without the loss of men or property.

As the day broke our long lines of troops were seen marching to their different positions as if going on parade—not the least demoralization or disorganization existed.

To the brave officers and soldiers who accomplished the feat of thus recrossing the river in the face of the enemy, I owe everything.

For the failure in the attack, I am responsible, as the extreme gallantry, courage and endurance shown by them was never exceeded, and would have carried the points had it been possible.

To the families and friends of the dead, I can only offer my heartfelt sympathies; but for the wounded, I can offer my earnest prayers for their comfortable and final recovery.

The fact that I decided to move from Warrenton on to this line rather against the opinion of the President, Secretary of War and yourself, and that you left the whole movement in my hands, without giving me orders, makes me responsible.

I will visit you very soon, and give you more definite information; and finally, will send you my detailed report, in which a special acknowledgment will be made of the services of the different Grand Division Corps and my General and Staff Departments of the Army of the Potomac, to whom I am so much indebted for their support and hearty coöperation.

I will add here, that the movement was made earlier than you expected, and after the President, Secretary, and yourself requested me not to be in haste, for the reason that we were supplied much sooner by the different Staff Departments than was anticipated when I last saw you.

Our killed amounts to eleven hundred and fifty-two; our wounded to about nine thousand, and our prisoners to about seven hundred, which last have been paroled and exchanged for about the same number taken by us.

The wounded were all removed to this side of the river, and are being well cared for, and the dead were all buried under a flag of truce.

The surgeons report a much larger proportion of slight wounds than usual, 1,632 only being treated in hospitals.

I am glad to represent the army at the present time in good condition.

Thanking the Government for that entire support and confidence which I have always received from them,

I remain, General, very respectfully
Your obedient servant,
A. E. BURNSIDE,
Maj.-Gen. Commanding Army of the Potomac.

OUR SPECIAL ARMY CORRESPONDENCE.

The Visit of Gen. Halleck to Gen. Burnside—The Losses in the Left Wing—Probable Losses of the Entire Army—Condition of the Wounded, &c.

HEADQUARTERS LEFT WING OF ARMY,
Saturday Morning, Dec. 20, 1862.

Gen. HALLECK arrived at Falmouth yesterday, and was closeted most of the day with Gen. BURNSIDE. His visit doubtless has reference to new movements, which the army is in condition to undertake, notwithstanding the revolutionary assertions of the New-York *World* that it was demoralized, nay, almost ruined in the late contest, losing 20,000 men and all confidence in the General commanding.

The Army of the Potomac is stronger to-day than before the battle. The total loss in that memorable struggle will not exceed 11,500, and reinforcements to more than that number have already reached us, and they continue to arrive.

I am at length able to furnish you some estimates of the losses which occurred in this wing of the army. There were eight Divisions engaged, the three constituting Gen. REYNOLDS' command, First Corps, viz.: Gens. MEADE'S, GIBBONS', DOUBLEDAY'S; three constituting Gen. SMITH'S command, Sixth, FRANKLIN'S old Corps, Gens. HOWE'S, BROOKS' and NEWTON'S, and two Divisions of treinforcements, which arrived during the latter part of the engagement, from Gen. STONEMAN'S Corps, HOOKER'S Grand Division, viz.: Gens. BIRNEY'S and SICKLES.

The official returns of losses made to headquarters by the various Divisions are as follows:

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing.
Meade's	154	1,357	674
Gibbons'	150	954	991
Doubleday's	34	119	116
Howe's	19	153	—
Brooks'	13	19	69
Newton's	—	15	—
Birney's	72	500	192
Sickles'	1	41	—
Total	443	3,158	1,842

Total of killed, wounded and missing, 5,443.

These returns were, for various reasons, however, larger than the facts of the case would warrant. Large numbers who were temporarily reported from these commands, in the confusion which always accompanies a battle, were returned as missing, or in other words prisoners. Gen. LEE, in his official report, claims but 500 prisoners in all; add to this number about 300 who were left in Fredericksburgh, having strayed away for plunder, or secreted themselves in the houses for rest or to escape from a second engagement, and who, owing to the secrecy and celerity of the retrograde movement across the river, did not become aware of it until too late, and we have the number of prisoners, from all the three grand Divisions reduced to 800 instead of being 1,842 from one wing alone. Owing to the hurry and necessities of the case, many of the wounded, as they were borne from the field, were conveyed to the nearest division hospital, who belonged to some other division. I had personal knowledge of this fact myself. During the engagement large numbers were brought to the Bernard House, used as a hospital for Gen. HOWE'S Division, instead of being conveyed across the river to the hospitals to which they properly belonged. In the first hasty summing up, some of the losses were returned twice over. The truth of this statement is likewise shown by the returns of GIBBONS' Division. The first estimate of losses sent to Headquarters, placed the wounded at 954. Dr. NOVDQUIST'S (Medical Director of the division) report, completed yesterday, reduces the number to 819, which are the accurate figures.

The facts in the case warrant me, therefore, in saying that 5,000 will fully cover, if not exceed by several hundreds, the total of losses incurred in the left wing of the army. Gen. FRANKLIN'S Adjutant-General joins with me in this statement. The same causes, likewise, operating on the centre and right of the army, it will be found that the accurate list of total casualties there incurred were much less than 7,000, the figures first reported to Headquarters.

We are safe, then, in concluding that 11,500 will cover the full losses suffered by our army during Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

When all the "stragglers" and "lost men" have returned to their commands, (I have met hundreds of them wandering through the fields and forests in search of their commands;) when all the wounded, scattering now in various division hospitals, and twice or thrice returned on the list of casualties; when, in brief, order takes the place of the confusion which necessarily follows a great battle, I shall not be surprised if it is found that nine or ten thousand will cover the actual losses.

What the rebel loss amounts to it is difficult to estimate at this time. Gen. LEE'S official reports estimate it at eighteen hundred in full. Richmond papers—as well as our own large list of casualities—give the lie to this statement. The Richmond *Dispatch* speaks of "2,500 wounded" reaching Richmond "in addition to the number which had already arrived." More than 1,800 casualties must have resulted from the shelling of our heavy guns alone—planted on this side of the river—and described to me by prisoners and deserters as the most terrible thus far experienced during the war.

Two of our division hospitals, GIBBONS' and MEADE'S, continue to remain on the river bank, near by to where the lower pontoon bridge was laid. A large dwelling, belonging to a Dr. MORRISON, and until the battle occupied by him, is used for the former. Long rows of wide roomy tents are pitched in the front yard and to the right and left of the dwelling. Dr. CHAS. J. NOVDQUIST, the experienced Surgeon of the Ninth New-York State Militia Regiment until recently, but now of this division, has charge of the hospital. His assistants are: Dr. ENOS G. CHASE, Surgeon-in-Chief of First Brigade; Dr. ABRAHAM L. COX, Surgeon-in-Chief of Second Brigade; Dr. ALLSTON W. WHITNEY, Surgeon-in-Chief of Third Brigade; Dr. WALTER B. COVENTRY, Twenty-sixth Regiment New-York Volunteers; Dr. R. S. DANA, Recorder.

Sixty seven cases of amputation have occurred, from which only two deaths have resulted. Chloroform has been administered to 186 patients with complete success. Out of the whole number of wounded (819) 40 have died in the hospital and 3 in the ambulances while being conveyed from the battle-field. The names will be found below. The remaining 779 the Director informs me will recover with the exception of six. The following is a copy of his report completed and sent in yesterday:

Tabular Statement of Wounded in Hospital, Reynolds' (Second) Corps, Gibbons' (Second) Division, near Fredericksburgh, on the 17th day of December, 1862:

	Shell.	Bullet.	Amputations.	Excisions.	Given chloro'm	Total
Head	2	42	—	—	—	44
Neck	1	3	—	—	—	4
Chest	3	39	—	—	—	42
Abdomen	4	6	—	—	—	10
Back and spine	1	9	—	—	—	10
Hips and genitals	1	39	—	—	5	45
Shoulder	2	33	—	—	10	45
Arm	5	71	15	—	19	100
Forearm and hand	2	33	5	1	7	48
Thigh	2	97	10	—	85	194
Leg	2	154	16	1	42	216
Foot	3	16	4	—	8	31
Finger	—	—	13	—	—	13
Toes	—	—	4	—	—	4
Patella	—	—	—	2	2	4
Grand total						819

Three hundred have since been forwarded to the Washington Hospitals.

Assistant-Surgeon R. S. DANA, Recorder.

DOUBLEDAY'S Division Hospital is located in the woods, directly back from where the lower bridges were constructed. It consists of two rows of large, roomy tents, made as warm and comfortable as the circumstances of the case will allow of. The wounded are doing well; eleven have thus far died. I have already forwarded you the names of seven. The following are the additional:

Wm. Davenport, Co. E, 35th Massachusetts.
Wm. Lamon, 1st Maryland Battery.
Two others, names unknown.

BIRNEY'S, SICKLES', HOWE'S, NEWTON'S and BROOKS' Division Hospitals are situated further in the interior, in the direction of Falmouth or White Oak Church, on the Belle Plain road. Yesterday much necessary alarm was created at the hospitals along the river, (MEADE'S and GIBBONS',) by the fact that all the pickets stationed along this bank of the river were withdrawn yesterday morning, when the various divisions commenced moving into the interior to assume a defensive position. Fully twelve hundred men are confined at these hospitals, and a very large corps of stewards, nurses, attendants, ambulance drivers, and men otherwise employed. The enemy, who are on the opposite shore within hearing distance, watching all our movements, could easily send a force of fifty armed men across on a raft or small boat, and parol the entire number. Intelligence to this effect sent to Headquarters at Falmouth, during the forenoon, but up to the time of my leaving, 6 o'clock, P. M., in picket force had made its appearance. If this state of affairs continues, even if it does not result in their capture, it will occasion much anxiety among the medical corps, and the most depressive effect among the wounded.

Yesterday morning two shots were fired from one of our batteries planted on the bluffs, at squads of rebels collected near the Bernard House, on the opposite shore. The rebels were employed all day in digging rifle-pits and throwing up breast-works in the vicinity of Fredericksburgh, which they again occupy in force. But few of the citizens, I should judge from appearances, have returned. Many of the women sought refuge within our lines while the battle was progressing. The last of the pontoons were taken from the river and removed to a place of safety yesterday. Instead of going back and forth on their beats in plain view from this side, as was the case prior to the battle, the enemy's pickets stationed along the bank of the river now conceal themselves behind breastworks of dirt temporarily thrown up, and in rifle pits or houses. The soldiers are in good spirits and more enthusiastic than ever in their admiration for Gen. BURNSIDE, as the impression grows stronger that the Washington authorities ordered him peremptorly to move into the dangerous trap from which he so skillfully extricated them. Officers and soldiers who distrusted his military capacity for wielding so large an army now unite in extolling his generalship and skill. A paroled prisoner, belonging to the Eighth Connecticut, who was in Richmond during and prior to the engagement, reports that heavy guns were being sent up to the army from the fortifications around the city for several days before the battle. In one squad of prisoners taken were two members of the Fifty-fourth North Carolina Regiment, which they informed me is mostly made up of conscript Union sympathizers. I have held a lengthy conversation with one of them, an intelligent young man from Chicago. Finding that he could not escape to the North or avoid being impressed, he concluded to accept $12, to go as a substitute, and desert on the first opportunity. He was caught in the act and sent to Richmond and imprisoned. On the day before the battle he was taken out, sent up here, a gun placed in his hands and sent to the front. When the rebels gave way before one of our charges, he remained behind concealed in the bushes, expecting our soldiers would come up and rescue him. The charging force, however, failing to follow up their success, he was seized with the most intense forebodings, knowing as he did that he would surely be hung if caught in the act of deserting the second time. In a moment of frenzy he whipped out his jackknife, and made two perforations opposite each other in his left leg, hoping thereby to make the rebels think that he was wounded, and on this account lagged in the rear. He afterwards, fortunately for himself, made his escape. His wound is a poor apology for a gun-shot hole, though it might have passed muster with rebel surgeons if he had been taken, and thereby saved his life. He communicated to me many interesting facts in regard to the Southern Confederacy, his companion assenting to the truth of everything he said. There was very much solicitude at Richmond lest the "Yankees" should get control of the railroad leading to Raleigh, and there cut off the supplies for the army. About one-third of the rebel army of the Potomac proper have been quartered on the Peninsula, along the Chickahominy, and at other points, to repel any visit which BANKS, KEYES, or any other Northern General may make in that quarter. The remaining force were massed in front of us. Large numbers of negroes are employed in throwing up fortifications at suitable spots all the way between here and Richmond. It is not safe for a person between the ages of 18 and 45 to walk the streets of that pestiferous city in citizens' dress. The military authorities consider that they have rendered its capture a moral impossibility. This was contrary to his opinion. During the time he was narrating the above, and much other interesting information, many of his fellow-prisoners, who reclined on the grass close by, listening to the conversation, indicated by their sullen looks and oft-repeated scowls, the truth of the statements, and the anger which they felt at their being made known. Finally, one of them interrupted him with the remark: "Damn you, if I don't kill you if ever I get a chance." On my producing writing material, he dictated a letter to his Illinois relatives, informing them that he was now among friends, "and should soon be with them."

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LIST OF DEATHS AMONG THE WOUNDED IN THE HOSPITAL OF GIBBONS' DIVISION, REYNOLD'S CORPS, UP TO FRIDAY NIGHT, DEC. 19.

J. McHeath, 16th Maine.
J. Young, Co. D, 97th N. Y.
Jacob Soland. Co. G, 136th Pennsylvania.
John Dries, Co. E, 26th N. J.
Jas. W. Goodlin, Co. I, 11th Pennsylvania.
Cyrus M. Chambers, Co. C, 11th Pennsylvania.
Wm. Mason, 8th R. I Bat.
Unknown, of Irish descent.
Chas. Armstrong, Co. D, 13th Massachusetts
Jeremiah Osborne, Co. L, 9th N. Y. S. M.
John Meckles. Co. D. 94th New York.
— Shupfel, Co. D, 94th N. Y.
George Staffclift, Co. A, 26th New-York.
Jeremiah Gibbs, Co. K, 107th Pennsylvania.
Martin Daisy, Co. K. 6th Pa.
Harrison M. Greaton, Co. C, 16th Maine.
Chas. Skinner, Co. L, 9th N. Y. S. M.
John F. Bell, Co. L, 9th N. Y. S. M.
D. A. Morgan, Co. E, 9th N. Y. S. M.
Unknown.
Unknown.
Unknown
Thos. Kelly, Co. C, 5th Pa.
— Jaggert, Co. L, 1st Penn., detailed for a N. Y. Bat.
Wm. Brenner, Co. F, 1st Pa.
A. Vanalstein, Co. A, 105th New-York.
Corp. — Field, Co. E, 13th Massachusetts.
A. Love, Co. G, 26th N. Y.
Leander Lynch, Co. K, 26th New-York.
Sergt. Duane Seeley, Co. A, 26th New-York.
G. Wilson. Co. A, 5th Penn.
Moses Losay, Co. A, 136th Pennsylvania.
S. R. Beam, Co. E, 11th Pa.
Unknown.
Lawrence Lively, Co. K, 12th Massachusetts.
Thos. Evans, Co. A, 26th N. Y.
A B Whitman, Co. H, 88th Pennsylvania
John P. Eves, Co. I, 136th Pa.
Chas. C. Conner, Co. L, 9th New-York.
Joseph Hatch, Co. G, 107th Pa.
Mathew Mahan, Co. A, 12th Massachusetts.
Chas. Madison, Co. B, 136th Pennsylvania.
John Brian, Co. C, 9th N. Y.
John M. Wheeler, Co. G, 16th Maine.
Wm. Girdly, Co. A, 136th Pa.
Lieut. T. Leyton, Co. E, 9th N. Y. S. M.
Sumner Westley, Co. K, 38th New-York.
Patrick McIlvaney, Co. I, 105th New-York.

List of Wounded in Thirty-three Regiments, Arranged in the Order of Companies.

NINETY-NINTH PENNSYLVANIA.

John Macevay, Co. H—left leg amputated.
Joseph Henderson, Co. K—shoulder.

NINETY-NINTH NEW-YORK.

Alfred Snowberger, Co. G—right thigh.

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIXTH PENNSYLVANIA.

Wm. Grodley, Co. A—leg amputated below knee.
Sam'l Davidson, Co. G—foot. shell.
Joseph W. Hunt, Co. H—head.
Lieut. Barker, Co. G—foot.
Sergt. G. W. Barlow, Co. A—right shoulder.
B. S. Hasley, Co. H—right arm.
Albert Mose, Co. A—left leg; thigh amputated.
Chas. Muddison, Co B—shell fracture.
Edward Smith, Co. I—hand.
Andrew Hall, Co. E—leg, slight.
W. Hinkley, Co. B—hip.
John L. Doris. Co. B—sh'er.
John Terr, Co. B—thigh.
Thos. Collins, Co. E—arm.
John Ayne, Co. H—hand.
Jerem'h N. Dinge, Co. I—chest.
Joe. F. Doris, Co. D—leg, slight.
Wm. J. Coskey, Co. F—leg and breast.
Henry Walker, Co. F—right arm.
Henry W. Stattler, Co. H—leg; ball extracted.
Lieut. J. McJohn, Co. C—right forearm.
Jacob Solan, Co. D—right forearm and abdomen.
Isaac Dolph, Co. C—left foot amputated.
Capt. Chapman, Co. I—right leg and thigh.
Jacob R. Smith, Co. C—left leg.
Sgt. Morris, Co. I—right arm.
John Mills, Co. G—leg.
Abram Williamson, Co. F—leg.
Corp. John Poulson, Co. H—head.
Jas. Lowre, Co. A—leg.
J. M. Barclay, Co. K—leg and arm.
Jacob Hess, Co. K—leg.
M. H. Hill, Co. K—near back bone.
Shernan Northrop, Co. I—near back bone.
Geo. Palmer, Co. K—wrist.
John Co'hocker, Co. G—leg.
Saml. Matchott, Co. G—forehead.
Peter M. Runnels, Co. I—cheek and knee.
J. R. Phillip, Co. G—ankle.
J. A. Calvin, Co. E—knee.
D. Crayman, Co. H—knee.
H. D. Seely, Co. A—knee.
G. A. Masker, Co. K—groin.
Serg. J. B. Stead, Co. I—foot amputated.
Corp. D. Van Valkenburg, Co. D—leg.
J. B. Graves, Co. D—knee.
Pat'k Kelly, Co. B—leg.
Jack Gyr, Co. B—abdomen.

ELEVENTH PENNSYLVANIA.

Col. R. Colter—left side.
S. R. Bean, Co. E—groin.
S. F. Steward, Co. I—arm.
Fred. Hoffman, Co D—abdomen and shoulder.
Henry Fitrey, Co. G—thigh.
Francis Heam, Co. C—head, slight.
J. Ambrose, Co. E—mouth.
Albert Peters, Co. K—thigh.
Corp. J. W. Johnston, Co. C—both thighs.
Lewis Ostress, Co. I—thigh.
Michael Farrell, Co. A—leg.
J. H. Love, Co. E—thigh.
Jacob Boyer, Co. E—ear.
Sol. Boyer, Co. H—thigh.
Davis Willard, Co. F—hip.
J. W. Wagner. Co. B—thigh.
— Bodder, Co. C—hand.
Joel H. Brighton, Co. E—thigh.
Sergt. Silas Solomon, Co. H—side, leg, ankle and shoulder.
A. W. Berry, Co. B—thigh.
John Giltner. Co. A—thigh.
Henry Everett, Co. I—leg.
Frank Bell, Co. E—leg.
Wm J. Blair, Co. E—leg.
Wm. Shultz, Co. F—leg.
Sergt. T. W. Everts, Co. H—thigh.
J. B. Shaffer, Co. D—head.
Lawrence Rugh, Co. D—arm.
G. Webber, Co. D—shoulder.
Corp. J. Haugher, Co. E—foot.
John Kuntz, Co. C—potella and shoulder, leg amput'd.
Lieut. H. Williamson, Co. H—hip.
John Vansant, Co. A—hip.
Sergt. J. S. Bash, Co. F—thigh.
Adolph Kallus, Co. K—leg.
Peter Gay, Co. K—knee.
Corp. A. H. Graham, Co. E—shin.
Sergt. Joseph C. West, Co. A—arm and leg.
Fabias C. Painter, Co. I—thigh.
Cornelius McLain, Co. K—side, shell.
Lowry Robb, Co. E—hip.
Corp. Freeman C. Gay, Co. K—hip.
Robt. McLain, Co. H—hand and back.
Jos. Berlin, Co. K—shoulder.

FORTY-NINTH NEW-YORK.

Lieut. E. E. Mocking, Co. I—hand, shell.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIXTH PENNSYLVANIA.

A. A. A. Gen. Wilson G Hartz, Taylor's Brigade.
John H. Martin, Co. E—lower jaw, badly.

SIXTEENTH MAINE.

Willard S. Blake, Co. G—thigh.
John S. Bates, Co. C—knee.
Warren G. Powers, Co. C—leg and side.
Corp. Benj. W. Cole, Co. K—knee.
Wilson Brown, Co. G—both arms amputated at shoulder.
S. H. Highfield, Co. C—neck and leg.
Corp. E. Farrer, Co. D—chest.
Corp. Wm. T. Simmons, Co. G—shoulder.
Nelson H. Wade, Co. I—thigh.
Joel Soper, Co. C—thigh, upper third amputated.
Chas. L. Babcock, Co. G—forearm.
Abram B. Hodgden, Co. F—thigh.
John H. Reed, Co. C—head, severe.
Frank P. Johnston, Co. E—knee.
Ambrose Burgess, Co. A—chest.
George H. Varney, Co. H—elbow.
Chas. Rutkins, Co. K—leg, slight.
Sergt. Cyrus Bosworth, Co. G—arm, slight
John H. Everett, Co. H—thigh.
C. L. Hodsdon, Co. H—thigh.
And'w J. Colton, Co. I—leg.
Aug. Luce, Co. C—knee.
Albert Powers, Co. F—thigh.
Bradford Flancoster, Co. F—knee.
Chas. P. Peters, Co. K—leg.
2d Lieut. A. C. Peters, Co. K—side
A. B. Thayer, Co. B—thigh.
Corp. E. A. Rodgers, Co. K—right thigh.
J. F. Jewett, Co. D—slight.
G. C. Seavens, Co. I—arm.
Saml. Farnam, Co. G—leg and hip bruised.
Hiram B. Ramsdell, Co. G—shoulder.
Corp. A. M. Heath, Co. B—chest. Died Dec. 16.
Sergt. W. B. Elder, Co. D—head.
H. B. Clark, Co. A—arm.
Chas. Leamer, Co. E—groin.
George Smith, Co. H—breast.
Wm. H. Bigelow, Co. G—leg.
Israel Dyer, Co. G—chest.
George Tyler, Co. F—mouth.
Cyrus Rodgers, Co. F—hand.
Lieut Henry Austin, Co C—side.
A. H. Lufkin, Co. K—hand.
Sergt. G. D. Bisbee, Co. C—wrist.
Andrew J. Quinn, Co. G—shoulder.
Isaac N. Wilson, Co. K—arm amputated.
L. B. Pollard Co. G—forehead.
Second Lieut. Wm. Stephens, Co. E—thigh.
W. C. Waterhouse, Co. B—ear.
Jonathan Warren, Co. D—groin.
Corp. Cyrus G. Foster, Co. G—arm.
Geo. Smith, Co. H—breast.
Calvin Beole, Co. C—shoulder
Ivan C. Brickford, Co. F—right arm.
Corp. Wm. S. Plummer, Co. H—left arm.
Hosea Adams, Co. D—shoulder bruised.
Otto J. Libbe, Co. H—head and leg.
Daniel Cobb, Co. H—arm.
Jno. T. Lane, Co. K—shoulder.
E. L. Hamlen, Co. D—slight.
A. B. Adams, Co. C—ankle.
J. C. Thompson, Co. C—eye.

FOURTH MAINE.

Capt. G. G. Davis, Co. F—left arm and leg.

THIRD MAINE.

J. C. Schuler, Co. D—thigh and finger.
M. W. Walter, Co. C—fingers.
P. Lannigan, Co. A—hand.

EIGHTY-EIGHTH PENNSYLVANIA.

Sergt. J. Hanson, Co. C—forearm, shell.
W. Boaz, Co. E—leg, ball.
Lieut. G. Fulton, Co. C—leg and side; leg amputated.
H. Bishop, Co. H—groin.
G. Bowman, Co. B—right arm and leg.
D McNeil, Co. B—right leg.
Lieut. J. A. Napier, Co. E—leg, arm—arm amputated.
Sergt. Fenton, Co. F—leg, amp. above ankle.
J. Minsteers, Co. E—arm.
A. Whitman, Co. H—forehead.
J. Cogle, Co. C—right ankle.

THIRTEENTH MASSACHUSETTS.

Charles Armstrong, Co. B—groin, died Dec. 13.
Corp. William B. Champney, Co. D—forearm.
J. A. Young, Co. B—right leg.
— Lyford Co. D—foot amputated above instep.
Wm. T. Blanchard, Co. D—right leg.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH NEW-YORK.

Patrick McManus. Co. H—left thigh.
Lieut, J. E. Conway, Co. H—left arm.
Corp. Albert Lodevort, Co. H—right arm.
Thos McGuire, Co. A—left leg amputated below knee.
Corp. Abraham Van Alstein Co. A—leg, thigh amputated, died Dec. 14.
Lieut. Isaac Doolittle, Co. G—right shoulder.
Corp. Adrian Fay, Co. C—shoulder.
E. D. Mercer, Co. C—arm.
Jas. Hamilton, Co. I—shell wound.
Lawrence Kline, Co. D—right leg.
Homer Moore, Co. D—right leg and knee.
Wm. Washburn, Co. C—leg.
Ezra Mann, Co. E—breast.
Sergt. S. Hersey, Co. B—leg.
Corp. John Bailey, Co. C—leg.
John Way, Co. C—both leg.
Corp. John C. Bailey, Co. C—both thighs.
Thos. Elligot. Co. I—leg.
Sergt. Lawrence Hennesey, Co. E—thigh.
David Perrill, Co. E—thigh.
James Collister, Co. H—left hand.
Corp. Shehan, Co. I—left thigh.
Jos. McMahon, Co. H—left chest.
Color Sergt. J. Conway, Co. G—arm and hand.
Saml. Fuller, Co. G—breast.
J. R. P. Osman, Co. C—knee.
Danl. Cahill, Co. I—right eye and head.
Thos. Candy, Co. G—flesh wound.
Patrick Bulger, Co. G—thigh.
Wm. Wilson, Co. I—left foot.
John Moore, Co. F—hip.
Pat. McSham, Co. F—eyes.
Corp Orson Marsh, Co. F—groin.
T. Conners, Co. I—thigh.
Maj. Michael Leonard, Co. A—arm.
Sergt. James Newton, Co. B—knee.
Corp, John Flatley, Co. I—arm.
Bernard Kohler, Co. D—hip.
Edward Allen, Co. D—leg.
Michael Riley, Co. C.

TWELFTH MASSACHUSETTS.

E. B. Rossiter, Co. C—thigh.
Corp. G. W. Stone, Co. A—eye.
M. J. Grindell, Co. C—leg and shoulder.
J. D. Grover, Co C—leg.
G. Hacketts, Co. C—hip and side.
M. B. B. Clark, Co C—sho'der.
G. S. Holt, Co. D—arm.
G. H. Berry, Co. D—arm amp.
A. J. Handell, Co. D—back.
A. R. Dow, Co. D—arm and side.
Jos. A. Coulter, Co. I—leg.
John Sewellin, Co. G—both hips.
John B. Taylor, Co. G—left leg and right ankle.
John B. Dennis, Co. K—left foot and groin.
Wm. N. Atwood, Co. K—arm amputated.
Capt. A. Packard, Co. B—eye.
Sergt. Edward Hockly, Co. B—leg amputated.
Sergt. D. E. Blake, Co. B—leg.
Jos. McGuire, Co. A—leg.
Wm. L. Grand, Co. C—thigh.
W. B. Etter, Co. D—head.
M. Jones, Co. K—leg amput'd
E. Murphy, Co. E—wrist and breast.
J. Famiss, Co. A—groin.
A. J. Farnsworth, Co. K—shoulder.
Colvin Walker, Co K—leg.
L. Lively, Co. K—leg.
G. H. Newhall, Co. C—leg.
W. B. Davis, Co. G—groin.
J. G. Sherman, Co E—thighs.
Capt. E P. Reel, Co. G—leg
W. F. Blake, Co. E—leg.
E. H. Lane, Co. K—leg.
E. Cushing, Co. H—arm.
John Stuffle, Co. K—rg'tknee.
Wm Allen, Co. K—left hip.
G. B. Hooper, Co. K—right fore-arm amputated.
Chas. F. Dyer, Co. A—leg amputated below knee.
Sergt. John Davis, Co. A—toe amputated.
Chas. Savre, Co. D—finger.
John F. Cunningham, Co. H—thigh.
Corp. Frank Beal, Co. H—leg.
Joseph Cochran, Co. B—leg.
Pat. Campbell, Co. B—thigh.

FOURTH PENNSYLVANIA.

Michael Carr, Co. D—finger amputated.
Geo. Williams, Co. F—right eye.

NINETY-NINTH NEW-YORK.

Alfreus Snowberger. Co. G—right thigh.
Bernard Coyna, Co. C—right knee.

SECOND PENNSYLVANIA.

Capt. Richard Ellis, Co, D—leg.

SEVENTEENTH MAINE.

Sergt. Simeon C. Paine, Co. C—fingers.

ELEVENTH MAINE.

Alpheus Jander, Co D—back and thigh.
G. W. Evans, Co. C—shoulder.

TWELFTH PENNSYLVANIA.

Alfred Say, Co. L—back.

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SECOND PENNSYLVANIA.

Jacob Walker, Co, H—left arm.
Samuel H. Gibson, Co. I—arm.
Elijah B. English, Co. K—right thigh.
Con. McCarty, Co. K—finger.

FIFTY-SEVENTH PENNSYLVANIA.

Aapley White. Co. E—leg.
Thos. Lowrie, Co. C—arm.
Sergt. Zebulon Berlin, Co. B—groin and ear.

THIRTY-EIGHTH NEW-YORK.

Walter Simmons, Co. K—abdomen. Died Dec. 15.

SIXTH PENNSYLVANIA.

Martin Darsey, Co. C—arm and shoulder. Died Dec. 14.

SEVENTH PENNSYLVANIA.

David Reitenger, Co. C—mouth.
Edward D. Cummings, Co. C—groin.
Sewell Goodwin, Co. E—groin.
Carl Linstadt, Co. F—head, slight.
Lewis B Wade, Co. F—left arm.
Joshua F. Churchill, Co. H—leg.
Corp. Wm H. Humphrey, Co. B—head
G. H. Watts, Co. B—leg and forehead.
Charles H. Puffen, Co. E—thigh.
E. A. Cotter, Co. B—leg
Eli Barker, Co. F—hip
Christian P. Tower, Co. E—left thigh.
Joseph Launay, Co. H—thigh bruised.
Jos. B. Raymond, Co. E—leg.
Capt. Reed, Co. F—leg.
Capt. Ripley, Co. K—shoulder.
Sergt. Wylie, Co. B—thigh.
Joseph McGuire, Co. E—leg.
John Davis, Co. A—left foot.

NINETY-SEVENTH NEW-YORK.

Capt. Palmer. Co. B—calf of leg and right ankle.
Lieut. J. L. Rockwell, Co. E—foot, grapeshot.
Sergt. Wm. Jones, Co. C—leg.
James Garsden, Co. C—leg.
August Kidnet, Co H—thigh.
W. W. Campbell, Co. F—foot.
Eugene Bailey, Co. K—flesh wound.
— Burch, Co. B—forehead.
J. Alfred Young, Co. D—hip.
Chas. Paddock, Co. B—neck, shell.
Henry L. Devins, Co. I—mouth.
George Wood, Co. C—bruises, shell.
Jacob Sharey, Co. C—groin.
Chas. McGem, Co. C—groin
Chas. Kluber. Co. B—ankle.
Jos. Hawkins, Co. K—leg.
David Franklin, Co. C—head.
Thos. Bruce, Co. C—elbow grazed,
Delavan Salmons, Co. C—patella.
Joshua Rourk, Co. C—foot.
John Decker, Co K—leg.
Chas. Webb, Co. C—forefinger.
Hugh Davis, Co. C—shoulder.
D. L. Heaton, Co. C—hand.
J. A. Balster, Co. F—shoulder
G. Walker, Co. B—hip.
James Hawkins, Co. K—right side.
John Proctor, Co. C—calf of leg.
— Sinetrom, Co. B—leg.
David Franklin, Co. C—head.
Jerome Wheeler, Co. E—knee.

TWENTY-SIXTH NEW-YORK.

Adjt. Wm. Bacon—thigh.
Maj. Jennings—leg.
Capt. E Shirley, Co. C—thigh.
Lt. Halsteus, Co. C—face.
J. Yourdon, Co. C—breast.
R Cook, Co D—back.
P. Winson, Co. B—arm.
P. Burns, Co. I—finger amp.
A. E. Howe, Co. I—head.
O. Burdick, Co. I—arm.
C. Roan. Co. I—leg amp.
Lt. E. Jones, Co. H.
M. Helcer, Co. E—hip.
S. T. Bates, Co. D—hand.
L. Vatch, Co. D—arm.
J. K. Thomas, Co. I—thigh.
L. E. Lynch, Co. A—thigh.
J. M. Jones, Co. C—both thigh.
Jos. Mellis, Co I—shoulder.
Jas. Madison, Co. C—thigh.
Patrick Lalon, Co. C—leg.
DeWitt Davis, Co. C—ankle.
Chas. Bower, Co. K—thigh.
John Patterson, Co. C—thigh
Fred. Schwab, Co. E—arm.
Chas. White, Co. E—thigh.
W. E. Cox, Co. D—thigh.
H. Webster, Co. I—side.
J. L. M. Green, Co. F—leg amputated.
Lt. C. Smith, Co. E—thigh.
Corp. A. Campbell, Co. G—thigh.
Capt. Palmer, Co. E—thigh.
H. H. Richmond, Co. [illegible]—thigh.
J. Ross, Co. I—[illegible]
Corp. J. B. Frazier, Co. F—leg amp.
George Lefarce, Co. E—arm and knee.
John Tobin, Co. D—thigh.
J. B. Howell, Co. K—thigh.
Michael Keser, Co. E—hip.
H. G. Wooll—thigh amp.
H. Mantle, Co. E—thigh.
J. Walsh, Co. E—thigh
Bud Morrison, Co. C—thigh.
Corp. A. E. Howe, Co. I—head.
Sergt. H. J. Flint, Co. I—arm.
Wm. Thompson, Co I—hip.
R. Hollebock, Co G.
J. C. Seely, Co. B—ankle and head.
Sergt. H. Vanvolkenburgh, Co. B—thigh.
Wm. Evans, Co. B—shoulder
Corp. W. Bernice, Co. B—head
Paul Winstler, Co. B—arm.

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH PENNSYLVANIA.

Sergt. Thos. Degan, Co. C—leg.
J. Gledhill, Co. E—hand.
D. Cronan, Co. D—hand.
H. Doran, Co. K—clavicle.
A. Williams, Co. G—arm.
Thos. Miller, Co. C—leg.
J. McCarty, Co. D—arm.
Francis Cosgrove, Co. A—chest.
J. Gibbs, Co. K—breast, died Dec. 14.
G. Smith, Co. H—shoulder and arm.
J. Jones, Co. F—leg.
John Work, Co. C—forehead.
H. Greger, Co. H—leg.
Joseph Hatch, Co. G—neck.
Saml. King, Co. C—leg.
U. Lee, Co. C—thigh.
Sergt. Thos. Meyers, Co. K—side.
John Michols. Co. K—side.
Chas. Arey, Co. G—jaw and neck.
Henry Keggy, Co. G—below hip, slight.
Robt. Beatty, Co. F—hand.
J. H. Nipple, Co. H—arm.
J. R. Kemdiz, Co. H—hip.
A. Kaughman, Co. H—hand.
S. Cullen, Co. K—arm.
John Muller. Co. C—leg.
John Hoover, Co. D—side.
J. McCloskey, Co. D—arm.
Saml. Lance, Co. G—head.
Jos. Raynard, Co. B—arm.
Jos. Peters, Co. D—side.
Jos. Shelly, Co. D—arm.

NINETIETH PENNSYLVANIA.

Corp. J. S. French, Co. C—bruise.
Color-Sergt. J. Rhone, Co. G—abdomen.
W. Russell, Co. B—knee amputated.
Corp. N. B. Dillhorn, Co. H.—groin.
Corp. J. S. French, Co. C.
W. H. Clay, Co. G—thigh.
J. K. Bain, Co. F—hip.
Hugh Sterling, Co. F—groin
S. W. Atwood, Co. D—knee.
Joseph Parkhill, Co. D—hip.
John Epting, Co. G—thigh.
Thos. Truman, Co. I—breast.
Sergt. John Robson, Co. F—instep.
Corp. W. D. Lindsley, Co. E—breast.
Chas. Orison, Co. H—leg.
Corp. G. Dennis, Co. E—head and neck.
D. A. Wagner, Co. H—leg.
Napoleon Sheridan, Co. A—knee.
T. Davis, Co. A—leg amput.
J. Bayner, Co. F—leg.
Major A. J. Sellis—leg.
Sergt. Josiah Pancost, Co. K—leg.
Thos. F. Boyd, Co. A—leg.
Corp. J. H. Pallock, Co. E.—leg.
Louis Wallenweber, Co. K—ankle.
Josiah Shuffle, Co. H—ankle.
Benj. H. Tyre, Co. K—thigh
Sgt. J. Roney, Co. G—groin.
Corp. W. D. Selar, Co. H—thigh.
W. Wright, Co. G—breast.
Corp. W. Wood, Co. C—side.
J. F. Line, Co. G—leg amputated.

EIGHTH PENNSYLVANIA RESERVE CORPS.

J. Cahoe, Co. C—foot.
J. Keating, Co. H—arm.
G. W. Macfuss, Co. A—leg amputated.

ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH NEW-YORK.

Lieut. A. J. Andrews, Co. C.—leg.
Lieut. Daly, Co. I—leg.
W. Chesillett, Co. A—breast.
Sergt. J. R. Smalley, Co. K—arm amputated.
F. J. Bell, Co. C—forefinger amputated.
David Teddler, Co. A—eye tongue and jaw.
Aug. Kidney, Co. H—leg.
Corp. G. D. Hayward, Co. I—hip.
Corp. J. Butler, Co. D—foot.
Sergt. Isaac R. Small, Co. K—arm amputated.
Sergt. Wallace Wylie, Co. F—thigh.
Sydney Miller, Co. B—both thighs.
Sergt. Joseph McGrigg, Co. C—thigh.
Wesley Lewis, Co. B—arm.
S. W. White, Co. F—hand.
A. Tracey, Co. E—thigh.
J. W. Piper, Co. A—arm amputated.
D. McArdle, Co. D.—leg.
P. McBride, Co. I—leg.
D. Pegar, Co. I—leg.
Corp. C. Whitney, Co. C—ankle.
W. B. Mocker, Co. A—head and leg.
Capt. W. Wylie. Co. B—abdomen, slightly.
Adam Langhman, Co. F—arm.
P. Haynes, Co. A—abdomen.
Philebus Mayhew, Co. A—forearm.
Corp. Lewis Sutton, Co. A—abdomen.
Lewis Cluckey, Co. A—shoulder.
F. L. Bell, Co. A—finger.
D. Halsey, Co. I—hand.
Corp J. Casey, Co. I—arm.

NINETY-FOURTH NEW-YORK.

Adjt. Wallace Tyler—ankle.
Sgt. W. Rouse, Co. B—head.
— Shupfel, Co. D—chest.
John Nickle, Co. D—chest.
Chas. Holley, Co. E—shldr.
Orto Heever, Co. E—finger.
Alfred Tarcott, Co. H—leg.
Corp. Sam. Place, Co E—leg.
Corp. Andrew Smith, Co. I—abdomen and thigh.
W. W. Standard, Co. D—elb.
C. J. Hawley, Co. K—shldr.
Chas. E. Lucor, Co. F—foot
L. M. Taber, Co. C—thigh.
L. Clark, Co. H—foot.
R. P. Holliday, Co. C—thigh
J. P. Cross, Co. C—knee.
S. Bowman, Co D—head.
C. D. Holliday, Co. C—fingr.
Frank Bean, Co. C—fingers amputated
A. F. Drinkham, Co. D—shoulder.
Clark Ford, Co. B—shoulder.
Corp. D. W. Bener, Co. C—ankle.
L. W. Blodgett, Co. F.
J. D. Newman, Co. G—groin
A. J. Persons, Co. G—breast bruised.
Sergt. Chas. Mosier, Co. K—thighs.
Corp. F. Bowhall, Co. G—leg.
J. Barner, Co. B—arm amp.
Corp. A. C. Docke, Co. K—hand.
Sergt. O. J. Mason, Co. A—thigh.
Lieut. J. P. Wordell, Co. K—thigh.
G. Walters, Co. K—arm.
Color Sergt. J. Denning—lung.
C. H. Morrison, Co. H—thigh.
L. Cumming. Co. E—hip.
Capt. Carpenter, Co. H—head.

BATTERIES—EIGHTH RHODE ISLAND.

Wm. Mason, abdomen—died Dec. 13.

SECOND MAINE.

John McDonnelly, forefinger, buckshot.
Samuel B. Wade, forearm.

BATTERY K, THIRD UNITED STATES.

James King, breast.

The Total Loss at Fredericksburgh.

The following is an official statement from every division in the army of its killed, wounded and missing in the Fredericksburgh battles. It will be observed that the grand totals differ very slightly from those given by Gen. BURNSIDE—the latter making the killed rather larger and the wounded rather smaller than in our figures. But we suppose it may be accounted for by Gen. BURNSIDE's counting among the dead some of the wounded whose cases proved fatal soon after the making up of those returns:

RIGHT GRAND DIVISION—GEN. SUMNER.

Second Corps, Gen. Couch.

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing.	Total.
Howard's Division	106	683	96	888
Hancock's Division	188	1,468	234	1,870
French's Division	88	912	211	1,206
Total	377	3,063	541	3,981

Ninth Corps, Gen. Wilcox.

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing.	Total.
Getty's Division	11	208	74	293
Sturgis' Division	84	797	132	1,013
Burns' Division	1	22	1	24
Total	96	1,027	207	1,350

CENTRE GRAND DIVISION—GEN. HOOKER.

Third Corps, Gen. Stoneman.

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing.	Total.
Birney's Division	105	620	173	898
Sickles' Division	10	84	4	98
Whipple's Division	19	91	18	128
Total	134	795	195	1,124

Fifth Corps, Gen Butterfield.

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing.	Total.
Griffin's Division	66	752	372	1,190
Sykes' Division	14	150	33	197
Humphrey's Division	112	771	154	1,037
Total	192	1,673	559	2,424

LEFT GRAND DIVISION, GEN. FRANKLIN.

First Corps, Gen. Reynolds.

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing.	Total.
Gibbons' Division	116	991	86	1,193
Meade's Division	114	1,089	391	1,624
Doubleday's Division	19	137	34	190
Total	279	2,317	511	3,007

Sixth Corps, Gen. Smith.

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing.	Total.
Brooks' Division	23	124	50	197
Howe's Division	21	159	5	185
Newton's Division	6	47	10	63
Total	50	330	65	445

RECAPITULATION.

	Killed.	Wounded.	Missing.	Total.
Couch's Corps	377	[illegible]	541	3,981
Wilcox's Corps	96	[illegible]	207	1,330
Tot. Rig't Grand Div.	[illegible]	[illegible]	748	5,311
Stoneman's Corps	[illegible]	[illegible]	195	1,124
Butterfield's Corps	[illegible]	[illegible]	559	2,424
Tot. Cent Gr'nd Div.	[illegible]	[illegible]	754	3,548
Reynolds' Corps	[illegible]	[illegible]	511	3,007
Smith's Corps	[illegible]	[illegible]	65	445
Tot. Left Grand Div.	[illegible]	[illegible]	576	3,452
Grand total	1,128	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

THE CABINET CRISIS.

The Return of Secretaries Seward and Chase to their Respective Positions.

NO OTHER CHANGES REPORTED.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 22.

The President has [illegible] the reception of [illegible] of State, Mr. SEWARD, and [illegible] Treasury, Mr. CHASE, and has informed them, that after due deliberation he has come to the conclusion that the acceptance of their resignations would be "incompatible with the public welfare."

The President has therefore requested both Mr. SEWARD and Mr. CHASE to resume their respective functions as Secretary of State and Secretary of the Treasury.

The two Secretaries have accordingly resumed their places as heads of their respective departments.

THE VERY LATEST REPORTS.

The Cabinet Troubles Not Yet Ended—Pressure Against Secretary Stanton, &c.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 23—12:50 A. M.

It is not best for the public to cherish an illusory hope that the Cabinet imbroglio is ended. Mr. SEWARD to-day declared to one of his friends that his resumption of Ministerial duties was made to be dependent upon two conditions, whose non-fulfillment would even yet compel his resignation; and though Mr. CHASE, as anticipated in our dispatch last night, to-day signified to the President his consent to return to his Department, it seems apparent that his action also will be made to depend, so far as any permanent occupancy goes, upon contingencies.

Meantime, Mr. STANTON feels stronger than ever, and seems unconscious of the influences rapidly combining against him. His personal relations with Mr. BLAIR have long been most unfriendly, and the latter comes of a race and a family unused to defeat.

The Senate is like a strong army repulsed in a bold attack. It faces back in good order, and calls a council of war, possibly to plan a flank movement. Such was the caucus of to-day. That it will abandon the enterprise it has undertaken, is not within the limit of possibility. The war now declared will most likely involve the House in its struggles, and already the Representatives are anxiously consulting on the subject. Unless the President yield, it will soon be Congress against the Executive, and the issue of such a struggle is not difficult to foretell. Never in a free Government has an Executive successfully defied the Legislature.

It is a significant fact that Senator WADE was to-day closeted for several hours with the President, during which time the latter was denied to all visitors, and it is unquestionable that the vacant Senatorship in Ohio will operate to complicate existing difficulties.

THE RESIGNATION OF GEN. BURNSIDE.

THE PRESIDENT REFUSES TO ACCEPT IT.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 22.

The *Intelligencer* says: "It having been stated that Gen. BURNSIDE had tendered the resignation of his command, we think it proper to mention what we understand to be the fact—that the President has not accepted the resignation, and, it is believed, does not intend to do so."

FROM HAVANA.

Arrival of the Steamship Union—Departure of Gen. Serrano—Arrival of the New Captain-General—Jubilations of the Rebels.

The United States mail steamship *Union*, THOS. W. WILSON, commander, from Havana Dec. 15, 3 P. M., arrived here yesterday. She left in the harbor of Havana the United States steamers *Wachusett* and *Sonoma*, of Admiral WILKES' squadron.

The *Union* has experienced very heavy northerly gales, with considerable sea, during the entire passage from Havana.

Under date of Dec. 15, the correspondent of the Associated Press furnishes the following summary of news:

There have been no arrivals from Mexico or South America since my last letter, and little of importance has transpired here.

Our new Captain-General, the Marquis DE CASTELL-FLORITE, arrived here at 8 P. M. on the 9th inst., but did not land until the 11th, at 9 A. M. He received a less enthusiastic reception than usual, owing to some misunderstanding as to when he would land. The public gathered together on the 10th inst. to receive him, and many who were disappointed at his not landing on that day did not go again to receive him on the 11th.

Gen. SERRANO left on the 12th instant in the *San Quintin*. He was accompanied by eight steamers, chartered for the occasion, to the mouth of the harbor. These were filled with ladies and gentlemen, and all the vessels were handsomely decorated with flags, the bands on board playing royal marches, &c. A national salute was fired as Gen. SERRANO passed the fortification.

The new Captain-General, we are told, brings the power of removing the walls around the old city, which will open a large tract of land. The walls have long been useless as the greater part of the city is outside them.

The Secesh intended going on the rebel steamer *Atlantic*, to accompany Gen. SERRANO out, as a mark of courtesy, but he requested them not to do so, and Gen. DULCE forbid it; so they had a ball on board the *William G. Hughes* instead, which was rather a small and poor affair, and which broke up about midnight.

To-night the rebels are having a grand ball at the house occupied by Mr. HELM, rebel agent, and Mr. CRAWFORD, rebel Vice-Consul, acting as Consul-General. The officers of Her Britannic Majesty's men-of-war *Vesuvius*, *Immortalite* and *Steady*, with the bands of music belonging to these vessels, are the lions of the gathering.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

THE WILKES LIBEL SUIT.

VERDICT OF NOT GUILTY.

Court of General Sessions.

Before Recorder Hoffman.

The trial of GEORGE WILKES, Esq., editor of *Wilkes' Spirit of the Times*, for libel upon JOHN LAWRENCE, was resumed in this Court yesterday morning. A large crowd of spectators was in attendance. There was a delay of over an hour after the opening of the Court, caused by the non-attendance of the witnesses summoned for the defence. Attachments were issued against them, but they were not forthcoming, and, as the Recorder would not keep the Court waiting, the defence had to close their testimony without them. In consequence of the absence of witnesses the testimony had to be taken very irregularly, the defence and the prosecution calling witnesses alternately, according as they could catch them in Court.

The testimony was resumed by calling for the defence RICHARD COWLEY, a clerk in the office of *Wilkes' Spirit*. Mr. WHITING said he proposed to prove by the witness that COLES, a former clerk of WILKES, was a defaulter to the amount of between $2,000 and $3,000, which amount he had been robbed out of in a gambling-house kept by LAWRENCE. The inquiry was objected to by the prosecution, and the Court sustained the objection unless counsel for defence could say that they had witnesses to follow up the proof of the defalcation by proving that he lost the money at LAWRENCE's establishment. Mr. WHITING said he could not tell what his witnesses would prove until they were examined, but they hoped to be able to prove all they had proposed. The testimony was excluded.

James Shields, a carriage driver for the Brevoort House, was next examined and testified: That he saw the affray at the Fashion Course between Messrs. Wilkes and Lawrence, and that Lawrence on that occasion called Mr. Wilkes a thief and other abusive epithets unfit for publication; Mulligan also joined in the abuse of Mr. Wilkes, and applied the same epithets to him.

Wm. Lindsay, reporter for *Wilkes' Spirit*, was recalled and testified: That Lawrence was a trainer for Morrissey, the prize fighter.

John Stacom was sworn, and testified that he had seen Lawrence in a gambling-house, but did not know whether he was the proprietor or not.

Daniel G. Lobdell was then called by the prosecution, and testified that he was Superintendent of the United States Bonded Warehouse.

(The prosecution here proposed to prove that Lawrence had been in honest employment under Mr. Lobdell from 1855 to 1858. The evidence was objected to by the defence, and overruled by the Court on the ground that it was too remote. Mr. Whiting remarked that the defence might be able to prove that Lawrence was even now on the pay-rolls of the Comptroller, but that would not prove that he was not a low, cheating gambler, as alleged in the libel.)

Henry L. Jewell, called by the defence, testified that he was a horseshoer; was at the Fashion Course in September last, but did not see the affray between Mr. Wilkes, and Mulligan and Lawrence; he was in the bar-room at the time, and heard loud talking and the word "thief," &c., used, and supposing it to be Mulligan, he went out and requested him not to have any difficulty there; Mulligan said he knew his business, and told witness he had better attend to his, whereat witness went back into the bar-room, and heard no more of the affray.

Thomas C. Burtis, called for the prosecution, testified that he went to the race-course on the day of the affray, with Lawrence and other parties, that he did not meet with Mulligan at the course, and did not see the affray.

Cross-examined—Have known Lawrence for twelve years; don't know whether he ever kept a gambling-house or not; was never in such an establishment; don't know whether there are any bets pending on the result of this trial.

Michael Norton, called for the prosecution, testified that he went to the race-course with Lawrence and others, and that Mulligan was not of the party.

Cross-examined—Saw part of the affray; Lawrence said Wilkes owed him $20; Wilkes said he did not recollect of owing him anything, but if he did he could have it by calling at his office; Wilkes told Lawrence he did not want to have anything to do with him, and left; when Wilkes came into the saloon Mulligan commenced laughing; did not hear Lawrence call Wilkes any names; I was a clerk in Street Inspector's office until day after last election, when I was discharged for being a candidate for office against the regular nominee; am now in the theatrical business; don't know what Lawrence's business is.

Alfred Sebring, clerk in the Inspector's office, called for prosecution, testified that Lawrence was appointed Inspector of Contracts in the Street Inspector's office in January last, and now held that office.

Cross-examined—Lawrence was appointed by Mr. Knapp; don't know whether he does any work or not; he makes his returns every month, swears to them, and gets his pay; Mulligan is not on the pay-roll; Dad Cunningham is not now, but has been.

John B Frink, called by the defence, testified that he knew Lawrence; had seen him in a gambling house on the corner of Hudson and Chambers streets; this was about two years ago; since that time had seen him in a gambling house No. 17 Ann-street; saw him there five or six times; I am a contractor for Corporation work; reside at No. 81 Walker-street; decline to answer whether I keep a place at No. 17 Ann-street or not; Lawrence never had an interest in the business at No. 17 Ann-street, to my knowledge; am not a partner of Lawrence in any business, and never was.

The testimony was here closed, and Mr. Whiting proceeded to sum up the case for the defence. He claimed that the defendant had justified the libel by proving that it was substantially true, and was published with good motives and for justifiable ends. He commented at length and with great severity upon the character of the complainant in the case, and the gambling fraternity generally. He told the jury that if they would only take the trouble to inspect the pay rolls in the Comptroller's office they would find them thickly studded with the names of just such vile characters as Lawrence, who were holding office under our City Government and drawing their salaries from the public coffers, while their days were spent in sleep and their nights in thr gambling hells where the young men of the City were corrupted and robbed of their money. His speech occupied about an hour.

John McKeon, Esq., summed up for the prosecution, and argued that the libel was one of the most atrocious ever published, and that the defence had utterly failed to prove the truth of the charge that the defendant was a "pickpocket" or "thief," or that he kept a "low, cheating gaming-house." The general character of the defendant had nothing to do with this trial; it was a public prosecution for the purpose of sustaining the public peace, which such libels had a tendency to break, and it was the duty of the jury to find a verdict of guilty with that view. If such men were to be sent out of Court without a remedy, they would take the law in their own hands, and the jury, instead of sitting there to try an indictment for libel, would then be called upon to try an indictment for murder. At the close of Mr. McKEON's argument, Recorder HOFFMANN charged the jury in a clear and brief statement of the law of libel, and the powers and duties of a jury in the case. The jury were made by the express words of the Constitution of the State the judges of the law and the fact in indictments for libel, and under these circumstances he did not feel called upon to make any comments upon the facts as proved in this case. If the jury found that the statements in the libel had been proved by the defence, and that the libel was published from good motives and justifiable ends, they must acquit the defendant; if not, they must convict him. The jury would have the right to bring in a verdict of acquittal on one of the counts in the indictment, and conviction on others, if the evidence to their minds should warrant such a verdict. The jury, after being absent about five minutes, returned with a verdict of "not guilty," which was received with manifestations of approbation by the audience.

What to Get and Where to Find It.

To-day and to-morrow much pa-and-maternal anxiety will be felt by the immediate ancestors of Gotham's little folk, as to what they shall give to their darlings, and where the same shall be found. A review of our advertising columns will not fail to answer either query.

JEWELRY—Which, however illy adapted to the beauty of youngish people, is nevertheless a staple gift, stares at us from every corner. TIFFANY offers diamonds, rich silver ware, jewels and jewel cases, bronzes and clocks, and miscellaneous fancies of *bijouterie* to a limitless extent. W. J. F. DAILEY & Co. ask attention to Bohemian wares and ornamental table sets of costliest or cheapest make. [illegible] has an entire invoice of games, puzzles and mechanical running mice, with all sorts and kinds of wax and otherwise babies, some of whom cry and some of whom don't. R. H. MACY claims to have made a successful raid on the domain of Santa Claus, and to have brought thence monkeys in all positions, Noah's arks, surprise boxes, turtles, comic countenances, bleating goats, photographic albums and balmoral skirts, all of which it seems Santa Claus possesses in great quantities and varieties.

At SCHAUS' delightful gallery our friends can find artistic presents fit for old or young, to suit the most fastidious taste, choice engravings tastefully framed, Swiss carved ware for which, just now, there is a great demand, albums for postage stamps, and in fact, everything in that line of business. HINRICH late [illegible], makes his sixty-second annual display of presents, comprising in part porcelain, terra cotta and other choice wares. STRULEN & PALMER promise to delight the palate of all who will invest in their fine French confectionery. STRASBURGER & NUHN consider a call only necessary to ensure the patronage of the visitor. JOSEPH J. ROGERS who has recently returned from Europe with a very superior collection of the latest styles of jewelry, calls attention to the absolute desirability of his wares.

The dry goods people are lavish in the display of costly fabrics and of beautiful material. ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & Co. offer dresses by the thousand, cloaks, embroideries and laces. LE GRAIN prides himself upon his shelves full of figured silks, and his boxes groaning with *point de Venise* and Valenciennes handkerchiefs. HOYT & KERR confine themselves to the specialty of wholesale cloaks, at retail prices. EDWARD RIDLEY offers real maltese lace collars, chantilly veils and infants' long robes. E. WILLIAMS & Co. continue the probationary sale of pusher veils, guipure laces and "real" point applique. Grannis, Lord & Taylor, Le Bouteiller Bros., De Perceval, Woods & Schuyler, Heard & Co., Armstrong, Strang, Adriance & Co, Peyton, Wolf, E. S. Mills & Co. and Miller & Grant, advertise on the sixth page a countless variety of ornamental and useful articles of "female apparel," which, for intricacy of cognomen, and variety of price and material, passes in mystery the most subtle of diplomatic verbiage.

At APPLETON's may be found, in every conceivable variety, photographic albums, photographs, giftbooks, gift boxes, Swiss work, and fancy articles of every description, while the solid matter turned out daily from the warehouses of the firm represents the true wealth of the intellect of the nation.

The pressure upon our columns forbids a more extended notice of one and all. Let the advertisements speak for themselves. They do it correctly and succinctly.

Affairs at the Brooklyn Navy-Yard.

Affairs at the Brooklyn Navy-yard are exceedingly brisk, over five thousand men being employed, many of them by night and day. The caulkers, especially, are kept busy incessantly. The different houses and shops, of which hardly more than a single department of each was used in time of peace, prove too small for the exigencies of war. Hence the great ordnance rendezvous, which was as large and roomy as a long block of city houses, is now increased by the addition of an entire story; several additional forges have been added to the blacksmith's department, an immense bakehouse is soon to be constructed, and no less than two paddle-wheel steamers are in progress in the open air, while the ship-houses are also taken up with new craft. The Lyceum, in which the different officers of the yard have their bureaus, is crowded always with persons who were not supposed to even have any business there when it was built. The Storekeeper, the Commandant, the Commander, the Purser, the Constructor, of the yard, are obliged for the present to work in old quarters.

A complete revolution has taken place in the mode of doing things in the various shops. The ordnance, authorities, for instance, beside receiving all the ammunition cast at the Washington Yard, where the great foundry for the navy is located, have to examine and test projectiles got up by contract. Mr. EUSTACE, the foreman blacksmith, has just invented a system for casting shells at this station, which is most valuable. He is now turning out over fifty a day, without interfering in the least with his regular work. Capt. NICHOLSON rejected a lot of shell sent from Fourteenth-street last week.

A Naval Court-martial is in session in the Lyceum, of which Commore CRABBE, Commodore WILLIAM D. PORTER, of the *Essex*, Capt. ELLISON, Capt. CARPENTER, and Lieut. ——, are members. At present they are trying some seamen of the *Patroon*—which vessel, by the way, has been condemned.

A monster 20 ton gun of 15-inch bore, is to be rigged for the iron-clad *Roanoke*, which is now rapidly preparing for sea. The gun will be sent to its destination in a day or two.

The fleet of vessels in the stream is very large. They are all preparing for sea, and have been spoken of as they reached the various stages of repair. In the dry dock is the steam gunboat *Seminole*, one of the only two naval vessels ever built at Pensalola. She was sent to Brazil, although reported rotten, and was then transferred to the blockade, and came here to be overhauled. She has to be almost torn to atoms—every portion of her timber being unsound. She is remarkable for having in her capstan part of the original gunbed used by Gen. JACKSON in the defence of New-Orleans.

The *Iroquois* was yesterday finished. She has been in hands some months, having performed service for a few years. She went ashore on the Mediterranean coast when cruising there, and suffered damage which is all remedied now, however. Her officers have reported to Admiral PAULDING, and will leave in their vessel this week.

The two new steam-frigates *Lackawanna* and *Ticonderoga* will next week be turned over to the active navy. They were both built here, by the regular Constructor of the Navy Department. In appearance they surpass anything of their class in the service. Each will carry almost 300 men, and some 14 or 15 guns. They are propellers, and cannot fail to be a great acquisition to the country at this time. Officers for the *Lackawanna* have reported, and will soon be attached.

The *Wamsutta*, *Savannah*, *North Carolina*, and the iron-clad *Montauk*, complete the regular naval fleet in the stream. Of chartered and purchased ships there is a large number. The *Blackstone*, *National Guard* and *Columbia* will be the first to leave. The *What is it?* will be launched in a few days.

The strike of the ship carpenters not yet having ceased, has of course almost paralyzed work on the new ships. It is said to be contemplated by the authorities to give $3 a day, but not to employ one of the malcontents. They do not, it is alleged, work as much in a week as outsiders do in three days.

Capt. WORDEN has received his new sword. Mr. BALLARD, from Albany, son of the Secretary of State of New-York, presented it to him on Saturday, at the Astor House. It was described while in process of making. The gallant Captain expects to leave to-day, unless stormy weather should set in.

The Japanese Police Fund.

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AS TO ITS DISPOSITION.

Considerable interest has lately been produced among the members of the Police Department, in regard to the way in which it was proposed to expend the Japanese Fund, and although, as it appears, a large majority of the force were in favor of distributing the proceeds of it among the families of those who have thrown up their situations in the Department, and gone to fight the battles of their country, a few were found opposed to this plan. Accordingly the Commissioners have, as will be seen by the following resolution passed yesterday, come to the conclusion to make a compromise of the whole difficulty.

The following are the preamble and resolution:

Inasmuch as a large majority of the members of the Police has requested this Board to expend monies of Japanese Fund in aid of the families of recruits, or for such other object as the Board may deem expedient, therefore,

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to convert the principal of that Fund, amounting to $13,750, into cash, which with the accrued interest amounting to about $900, and expend the same in the following manner:

1. To pay over to the Committee of Police, now having charge of the families of Policemen who have enlisted in the army of the United States, the sum of $12,000 for the benefit of the families in their charge.
2. To pay to such members of the Police, as have declined to assign their interest in the fund, their equitable share of said fund.
3. To pay to the aforesaid Committee of Policemen the residue of the fund that may remain after paying the policemen who have declined to assign their interest in the said fund.

The following statement of the monies in the hands of Commissioners, and the expenditures have been made, accompanies the resolution:

Original sum	$13,750
Interest to 1st November, 1861, about	900
Total	$14,650
Expenditures.	
Captains' reward, given at their request to the loyal sufferers in North Carolina	$200
Sergt. Leech and Sergt. Cropsey, $150 each	300
Five Patrolmen, $100 each	500
Total	$1,000

The Late Accident on the Erie Railroad.

INQUEST ON THE BODY OF ONE OF THE VICTIMS.—It will be recollected that a very serious accident occurred to a train on the New-York and Erie Railroad, about 7½ o'clock on Friday evening last. The train was coming East, and when near Ramsay's Station, about twenty-seven miles from Jersey City, the boiler exploded. A young man named CALLAHAN, who acted as firemen, was thrown with great violence from the train and instantly killed. Mr. WM. CALLOHAN, the Engineer, was also found at some distance from the place where the train stopped, in a horribly mangled condition. He was put on board the cars, brought to this City and placed in the New-York Hospital, where he remained in an insensible condition until Saturday evening, when he died. Coroner COLLIN held an inquest upon his body yesterday. The jury rendered the following verdict, viz.: "That death was the result of a compound fracture of the skull, caused by the explosion of an engine of the New-York and Erie Railroad."

The evidence given upon the inquest went to show that the accident was caused by the breaking of the main rod of the engine. The rod, after having been broken, forced a hole into the fire-box, which caused the water to come out, and the steam to escape, and thus an explosion was produced. It was at first reported that the deceased was blown from the engine, but the witnesses yesterday were unable to say whether this was the case, or whether, when he saw the dangerous position in which he was placed, he jumped from the train.

The deceased was 46 years of age, a native of this State, and had been in the employ of the Erie Railroad Company, as engineer, since the beginning of its operations. The young man who was instantly killed was a son of his, and another son was in the battle of Fredericksburgh, where he was seriously wounded, and is now on his way to this City.

A Small but Precious Parcel.

Miss LAVINIA WARREN, a young lady from Middleboro, Mass., is now stopping at the St. Nicholas. So are many other ladies, and if that was all about her, it would hardly be thus chronicled in the TIMES. Miss WARREN has, however, a right to be publicly noticed, gazetted and described, and so far as we are concerned, she shall have her due.

In compliance with an invitation extended to the Press of this City, we attended Miss WARREN's reception yesterday afternoon at the St. Nicholas. It was a festive gathering, including prominent members of the craft, of the more "sacred calling," of the legal fraternity, and of the cutting and slashing profession. All were gathered about, and paying court to a very beautiful, an exceedingly symmetrical, a remarkably well developed, and an absolutely choice specimen of feminine humanity, whose silken tresses, beautified and adorned a head, the top of which was not quite thirty-two inches from the floor.

In other words, we saw a dwarf—aye, and the Queen of them. To-day and to-morrow, and possibly the day after, Miss WARREN holds a reception at her parlor at the St. Nicholas, to which such members of the elect as may be honored with her invitation will be graciously welcomed.

She leaves the City on Saturday for Europe, where she expects to renew the acquaintance formed with His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, when that charming person was tarrying at the Revere House. Her accomplishments are numerous and *bona fide*. Her conversational powers are like those of most young women at the age of twenty-one—rather extensive; and she possesses a fund of wit and humor which rivals that of Mr. BURTON's celebrated publication of that name.

With NUTT, THUMB and WARREN, the United States can certainly lay claim to being the birthplace and home of the littlest of people in the world, though perhaps it would be as well for us if we could occasionally turn out a great one.

We predict for Miss WARREN a great success in the Old World. Her face is bright and sweet, her eyes brilliant and intelligent, her form faultless, and her manner that of the woman of the world. What more could we desire?

Officers Killed at Fredericksburgh.

The Committee on National Affairs will meet on Tuesday, 23d inst., at 12 M., in Room No. 8, City Hall, to make arrangements to receive the bodies of Col. BULL and other officers recently killed in the battle of Fredericksburgh. All persons interested are respectfully invited to attend without further notice.

T. Farley, Chas. J. Chipp, Ira A. Allen, Peter Mitchell, H. Smith, Committee Board of Aldermen. Wm. Orton, M. Jones, Thomas Stevenson, John Hogan, Alexander H. Keech, Committee of Board of Councilmen.

Lancashire Aid Fund.

Additional subscriptions received by the Produce Exchange Relief Committee, in aid for Lancashire operatives:

J. G. Deshler, Buffalo, 500 bush. corn, valued at	$475
George Kitchen	250
J. L. Riker	100
A Friend	100
Total	$925
Previously reported	24,740
Grand Total	$25,665

E. K. ALBU[illegible] Treasurer.

A Card.

GEORGE W. HOPKINS, a pupil of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb in this City, absented himself, on Sunday, Nov. 30, and has not since been heard from. His parents reside at Fishkill Landing, and as, after making diligent inquiry, and advertising in the City newspapers, no tidings have been received of him, it is supposed that he had taken some public conveyance, for the purpose of going home, but was carried in a wrong direction. He is twelve years of age, has a slender figure, fair complexion, blue eyes, and light brown hair. His name is maked on his clothing. He belongs to the class of deaf mutes, but having lost his hearing in childhood, he still retains some knowledge of articulate sounds, and can utter a few words, though not very intelligible to strangers—such as his own name and the place of his residence. He was admitted into the Institution last September, and consequently has not acquired written language, so as to enable him to communicate with others, except to a very limited extent.

Will other papers please copy this notice, and thus aid in relieving the solicitude of his parents, and subserve the cause of humanity? Any information concerning his "lost boy" will be thankfully received by

H. P. PEET, Principal.

INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB, Dec. 22, 1862.

City Mortality.

There were during the past week 330 deaths in the city and county of New-York, of which 66 were of men, 81 women, 101 boys, 82 girls; 147 adults, 183 children; 167 males, 163 females, and 4 colored persons. The most frequent fatal diseases were consumption, of which there were 55 cases; inflammation of the lungs, 28; scarlet fever 22; croup, 21; and other infantile illnesses, 34. There were also 8 cases of typhoid and 1 of typus fever, and four deaths from old age.

During the past week there were but eighteen deaths in the public institutions.

Of the 330 deaths, 72 were infants under one year of age, while one of the deceased was upward of one hundred years old. There was but one death in the Second Ward, while the opposite extreme was reached by the Twentieth Ward, where 31 deaths occurred.

Weekly Report of Deaths in the City and County of New-York.

From the 15th day of Dec. to the 23d day of Dec., 1862: Men, 66; Women, 81; Boys, 101; Girls, 82 ...... Total, 330. Adults, 147; Children, 183. Males, 167; Females, 163. Colored Persons, 4.

RECAPITULATION—DISEASES CLASSED.

Alcoholism	3	Premature birth	1
Bones, joints, &c.	1	Stomach, bowels, and digestive organs	44
Brain and nerves	48	Uncertain seat, and general fevers	23
Generative organs	7	Unknown	0
Heart, and blood vessels	8	Urinary organs	4
Lungs, throat, &c.	145	Violence, accidents, &c.	11
Old age	4		
Skin, &c., and eruptive fevers	31		
Total			330

The number of deaths, compared with the corresponding week of 1861 and of last week, was as follows:

Week ending Dec. 23, 1861	429—Dec. 99
Week ending Dec. 15, 1862—	
From acute diseases	190
From chronic diseases	126
From external causes, &c.	35—351
Week ending Dec. 22, 1862—	
From acute diseases	195
From chronic diseases	114
From external causes, &c.	21—330
Decrease this week	21

Bureau of Sanitary Inspection.

The following is a schedule of the work of the Bureau of Sanitary Inspection in the abatement of nuisances, &c., for the week ending Dec. 20, 1862:

ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES.

Complaints of nuisances, &c., received	70
Complaints for which no cause existed	9
Notices for abatement served	84
Abatements of nuisances under notice	110
Sinks and water-closets cleaned	81
No. of loads of night-soil removed from the City limits	268
No. of dead horses removed from the City limits	70
No. of dead cows removed from the City limits	9
No. of dead goats removed from the City limits	4
No. of dead hogs removed from the City limits	51
No. of dead dogs and other small animals removed from the City limits	235
No. of barrels of offal removed from the City limits	1,769

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

THE PACKER CHRISTMAS.—The pupils of the Brooklyn Packer Institute hold their annual Christmas Festival to-night in the chapel of the institution. There will be performed, or rather exhibited, a *Panorama Vivant* of the Progress of civilization, called "Tides in the Affairs of Men," which beginning at the First Era, 1491 years B. C., with the story of Egyptian Bondage, runs through the darkness of the Middle Ages, brightening with the promises of the Reformatory Era, and concluding with the glories of the Era of Liberty. Those who are favored with tickets are most fortunate.

VERNEIT's picture of the "Market and Harbor of Rio Janeiro," has been removed to DERBY's Gallery, No. 625 Broadway, where it will remain on exhibition for a few days. It has been suggested that a series of equally authentic and pleasing delineations of two principal marts of commerce in the world, would form a unique and interesting collection for a mercantile metropolis. At all events, we should like to have this excellent work of VERNEIT's retained among us, and it is understood to be for sale.

CHARGED WITH EXTORTION.—LEWIS UHL was arrested yesterday, charged with sending threatening letters to Mr. ABRAM MESEROLE, Jr., of No. 16 Clinton-place, with the intention of extorting money from him. The parties are connected by marriage, and UHL claims that a large amount of money is due to him from MESEROLE on account of some family arrangement. The Justice held him to bail in the sum of $1,000 to answer the charge.

GERMAN SOCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, No. 439 GRAND-STREET.—There will be a Christmas celebration of this school at No. 281 Grand-street, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 23, at 7 P. M. The exercises will consist of singing by the children, speeches and distribution of presents. The school is under the care of the Children's Aid Society, and its field of operations is one of great interest to the public. All are invited to attend.

FUNERAL OF LIEUT. CHAMBERLAIN.—The funeral services of this lamented officer, who held a commission in the Fourteenth Regulars, and was attached to the Staff of Gen. SYKES, took place yesterday afternoon. Rev. MORGAN DIX and Rev. Drs. VINTON and OGILBY, officiated in the burial service. Lieut. CHAMBERLAIN died from wounds received at the battle of Antietam. The remains were interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

NEW-YORK HOSPITAL.—The following is the weekly report of the New-York Hospital to Dec. 19:

	Surgical.	Medical.	Total.
Remaining on Dec. 12	138	227	365
Admitted to Dec. 19	32	56	88
Discharged, cured or relieved	43	31	74
Died	2	5	7
Remaining at date	125	247	372

Males, 350; females, 22.

OLD FOLKS' CONCERT.—We would call the attention of our readers to the advertisement in another column of the concert of Father KEMP this evening, in behalf of the New-York Seamen's Aid Society in aiding them to build a Sailor's Home in this City for our navy.

WARD SCHOOL NO. 33.—The teachers and pupils of Ward School No. 33 will give a reception at the Grammar Department at 11 A. M. Songs, compositions and various exercises, under the care of Miss CLARA M. EDMONDS, the Principal, will enliven the occasion.

AARON BURR ON HOUSTON-STREET.—Rev. Mr. MILBURN will lecture on *Aaron Burr* this evening, at the corner of Houston and Thompson streets. The lecture is excellent, the cause—the benefit of Sabbath-schools—deserving of success.

GRAMMAR SCHOOL NO. 19.—To-day, at 1 P. M., the opening of Grammar School No. 19 will take place, with appropriate exercises by the pupils. The Principals are Mr. WM. SMEATON and Miss CAROLINE HAZELTINE.

GRAND CONCERT AT COOPER UNION HALL.—To-night, under the conduct of Mr. G. F. BRISTOW a grand vocal and instrumental concert will be given at the hall of the Cooper Union, for the benefit of our wounded soldiers.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

BROOKLYN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.—The Board held a regular meeting last evening.

A communication was received from the Mayor, with his objections to the ordinance passed on the 15th inst. in relation to the appointment of Commissioners of Deeds. The ordinance provided that the total number of Commissioners should not exceed $400; that each applicant should undergo an examination as to qualifications, and should pay a license fee of $3—$2 of which to be paid into the City Treasury, and $1 to the Law Committee.

The Mayor also objected to the action of the Board in passing a resolution over his veto, authorizing the payment of expenses incurred in the reception of Col. WOOD. The appropriation, he states, was without the authority of law, and he therefore feels constrained to withhold his signature from the warrant for its payment, and thus give the parties interested an opportunity to test the legal validity of their claims.

The communications were ordered to be printed in the minutes.

A communication from Hack Inspector JONES was submitted, in answer to a resolution of the Board asking for information in reference to the number of cars operated on the City Railroads, and the number for which licenses are paid. The report goes to show that the total number of cars operated by the City Railroad Company is 103, on the following routes:

Fulton-avenue and East New-York line	28 cars
Myrtle-avenue line	14 cars
Greenpoint line	19 cars
Greenwood line	15 cars
Flatbush line	8 cars
Flushing-avenue line	8 cars
Fort Hamilton line	11 cars

The city ordinances provide that the Railroad Company shall pay licenses for the average number of cars operated during the year, exclusive of extra cars for parties or on holidays. The average number of cars run as above given includes extras. Deducting these there are ninety-eight cars regularly operated during the year, for which licenses are paid, the licenses amounting to $1,960. The Brooklyn City and Central Railroad Company are running twenty-three cars, with extras—eleven on the Greenwood line, and twelve on the East New-York and Bedford line. They pay license for twenty cars, (including extras,) amounting to $400. The Brooklyn City and Coney Island Railroad Company operate twelve cars, for which a license of $140 is paid. The Brooklyn City and Newtown Company operate fifteen cars, and pay license for twelve cars, amounting to $240. The Brooklyn City and Broadway Company pay license for seventeen cars, all they operate, amounting to $340. The Grand-street and Newtown Railroad Company refuse to pay any license.

The communication was referred to the same Committee.

On motion of Aldermen BELKNAP, resolutions were adopted directing the display of the flags at half-mast from the City Hall, on the day of the funeral of Capt. SOLOMON WINCHESTER of the Tenth Regiment, New-York State Volunteers who was killed at the battle of Fredericksburgh.

A communication was received from the officers of the Fifty-second Regiment complaining that the enlisted men had not received the bounties which were authorized to be paid to them by the Common Council and expressing dissatisfaction in consequence.

Aldermen STRANG intimated that the object on the part of those whose duty it was to pay the money was to keep the Federal army from being reinforced. The payment of one hundred dollars bounty to each man had been authorized and there was no excuse for keeping them out of that which is their due.

Aldermen TAYLOR stated the bounties would not be paid until the men had been mustered into the United States service and spoke of the difficulties heretofore experienced in paying bounties before the men left for the seat of war. Out of five hundred who had received their money one hundred was missing when ordered to march.

The subject was referred to a Special Committee of three to report on Wednesday evening next, to which time the Board adjourned.

THE NAVY-YARD STRIKE.—The ship carpenters who struck for higher wages are still idle, and express a determination not to resume work until their demands are complied with. Another meeting was held at Tammany Hall yesterday morning to hear the report of the Committee appointed to call upon Mr. DELANO, the naval constructor. The Chairman reported that the Committee had an interview with Mr. DELANO, who informed them that a statement of their complaint had been sent to Washington, and he expected an answer to-morrow. He requested the men to go to work until an answer could be obtained. The report was accepted. Several members expressed their views upon the matter at issue, and from the tenor of the remarks, it appears evident that the carpenters will not resume work until they can do so at $3 per day. A Committee on Resolutions was appointed, and the meeting adjourned.

DROWNED.—A man, named unknown, fell into Gowanus Creek on Saturday night last, and was drowned. He is supposed to have been intoxicated. The body was removed fo the Dead House for identification.

THE FIFTY-SECOND REGIMENT.—This regiment mustered only 102 men yesterday morning, including officers. They are under orders to embark this morning for the seat of war, having been merged into the Ironsides Regiment. As some difficulty is apprehended, a strong police force has been detailed to escort them to the city. One of the members of the Twenty-eighth Regiment, who was injured in the riot on Saturday, died at the County Hospital yesterday. This makes the second death from that affair.

NEW-JERSEY.

THE FIRST JERSEY BRIGADE.—This gallant Brigade, which includes the First, Second, Third and Fourth Regiments, had the honor of covering the retreat of our army across the Rappahannock. Gen. FOSTER, at last advices, had not received his commission as Brigadier. It is, however, understood that the appointment has been made.

NEWARK MORTALITY.—The report of interments in Newark for the week ending Dec. 20, shows 53 deaths, being 21 more than the week preceding. Of the number, 33 were under 10 years of age.

CHILD KILLED BY DRINKING LIQUOR.—On Saturday night last, a little boy named BERNARD RILEY, living with his uncle and aunt, at No. 206 Plane-street, Newark, died from the effects of drinking liquor, which he had obtained in some unknown manner. The County Physician, Dr. COLES, was called, but deemed a *post-mortem* unnecessary, as it was obvious the child died from the cause stated. The persons who had charge of the child, were themselves intoxicated, and professed total ignorance concerning the whole matter.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT.—Yesterday morning an old lady named GALLAGHER, residing at No. 61 River-street, Newark, fell upon an icy place in Mulberry-street, near Clinton, sustaining a serious hip injury, which, at her advanced age, it is feared will prove fatal.

MASON JONES IN NEWARK.—There is great interest manifested in Newark, to hear Mr. MASON JONES in his new oration on the rebellion, which he delivers at Concert Hall, on Wednesday night.

THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

[OFFICIAL.]

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

STATED SESSION—MONDAY, Dec. 22, 1862.

Present—John T. Henry, Esq., President, Aldermen Smith, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Allen, Ottiwell, Froment, Farley.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

PETITIONS.

By the President—

Bill of John Kinnon for fitting up the Second Election District, Twenty-first Ward.

Which was referred to the Comptroller with power.

By the same—

Remonstrance of property owners in Manhattan-street, against the flagging of said street from the Ninth-avenue to the Hudson River.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication was received from the Comptroller, transmitting statement of Treasury balance, December twenty, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

Which was ordered on file.

A communication was received from the Comptroller, giving reasons for refusing to refund moneys voluntarily paid for taxes on bulkhead property of Charles A. Coe.

Which was received and printed in the minutes.

A communication was received from John W. Dempsey, of Second Regiment, New-York State Militia, relative to the continuation of the City bounty.

Which was referred to Committee on National Affairs.

MOTIONS.

Alderman Farley moved a reconsideration of the vote taken at the last meeting, concurring with Board of Councilmen in adopting resolutions, &c., in relation to the slain officers from the City at the battle of Fredericksburgh, the first resolution having been adopted at the meeting of the Board on the seventeenth instant, and the second and third of which were laid over.

Which was carried.

He then moved to fill the blank in the third resolution with the words "not to exceed the sum of one thousand dollars."

Which was carried.

He then moved the adoption of the second and third resolutions.

Which was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Smith, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—10.

VETO MESSAGE FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

The following message was received from His Honor the Mayor, vetoing resolution appropriating the sum of fifty thousand dollars toward the erection of a new Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, NEW-YORK, Dec. 22, 1862.

To the Honorable the Board of Aldermen:

GENTLEMEN:

I must return, without my approval, the accompanying resolution, which originated with your Honorable Body, donating to the Managers of "The Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of the City of New-York," to be applied toward the erection of a new Orphan Asylum, the sum of fifty thousand dollars.

Appreciating as I do, and highly commending the benevolent care of orphans which the various religious organizations have so piously fostered in our community, it is a matter of regret to me that I cannot, in the conscientious discharge of my official duty, give my assent to the large donation proposed in the resolution.

My first objection is to the amount donated. In a time of war like the present, when the unavoidable taxation of our citizens is of a magnitude unprecedented with us, it behooves the City Government to add no additional burdens which are not of imperious necessity. Many donations of large amount, like the present, which in times of peace and prosperity might be justifiable and even commendable, seem to me, in our present circumstances, to be unwarrantable.

I also object to the appropriation on the ground that so munificent a gift to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum would establish a precedent which similar benevolent institutions, sanctioned and sustained by other religious denominations, would be fully justified in appealing to, while urging on the Common Council their petitions for equally liberal aid, at a time when other demands upon our resources forbid such extreme liberality.

In view of the excellent character of this institution, and the amount of good it is doing, I should not feel warranted in withholding my assent from a resolution donating to it a moderate amount suitable to the exigencies of the times.

GEORGE OPDYKE, Mayor.

Which was received, directed to be entered at length on the minutes, and published in the papers employed by the Corporation.

PAPERS FROM BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.

Bill of Daniel Moran, amounting to ten dollars, for fitting up poll of Eleventh Election District, Eighteenth Ward, for December election.

(By Board of Councilmen, referred to Comptroller with power.)

Which was concurred in.

Report of Committee on Railroads, with resolution that permission be granted the New-York and New-Haven Railroad Company to lay a single track of railroad from the inside of their freight dépôt, corner of Franklin and Elm streets, down Elm-street to the corner of Leonard and Elm streets.

Which was referred to Committee on Railroads.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement in favor of adopting ordinance that the carriage-way of Coenties-slip, from the northerly line of Front-street to South-street, be paved with trap-block pavement, the same to be done, one-half at the expense of the City and one-half at the expense of the property-owners benefited.

Which was referred to Committee on Streets.

Report of Committee on Streets, with resolution, that Hammond-street, from West-street to the Thirteenth-avenue, be paved with cobble-stone pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and the accompanying ordinance adopted therefor.

Which was referred to Committee on Streets.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, with resolution that Essex-street, from Division-street to Houston-street, be paved with trap-block pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted, half the expense to be paid by the property-owners.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, with resolution that William-street be paved with Belgian pavement, half at the expense of the City, the other half at the expense of the property owners benefited thereby, the work to be done under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Board, with ordinance therefor.

Which was referred to Committee on Streets.

Preamble of Board of Aldermen, with resolution that the low and sunken lots on the southeast corner of Fifty-second-street and Lexington-avenue, be filled in with good and wholesome earth, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, forthwith.

(In Board of Councilmen, December twenty, amended by adding thereto the words following, viz.: "and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted," and as amended adopted.)

Which was concurred in by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Smith, The President, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Farley—9.

Resolution permitting John D. Smith, to display a sign in front of his premises.

Which was concurred in.

Resolution, directing the Comptroller to draw his warrant in favor of James Clark for fifty-eight dollars.

Which was concurred in by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Smith, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Jeremiah, Frear, Farley—9

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Aldermen Smith, moved that when the Board adjourns it do adjourn to meet again to-morrow, Tuesday afternoon at five o'clock.

Which was carried.

And on motion the Board then adjourned.

D. T. VALENTINE, Clerk.

[OFFICIAL.]

BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.

STATED SESSION—MONDAY, Dec. 22, 1862—4 o'clock P. M.

The Board met pursuant to adjournment, in their Chamber, No. 16 City Hall.

Present—Charles C. Pinckney, Esq., President, in the Chair, and the following members, viz.:

Councilmen Hogan, Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Jones, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Orton, Ross, Stevenson, The President, Babcock, Snyder, Brice, Long.

Councilman Keech moved that the reading of the minutes of the last meeting be dispensed with.

Which was carried.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Councilman Barney—

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cause the carriage of Hose Company number Twenty-seven to be repaired at an expense not to exceed two hundred and fifty dollars.

Which was laid over.

By Councilman Snyder—

Resolved, That both sidewalks in Forty-seventh street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, be flagged the whole width of said walks, under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was referred to the Committee on Streets.

By Councilman Snyder—

Resolved, That the Street Commissioner be and he is hereby authorized and directed to place a lamp on the westerly side of Ninth-avenue, about fifty feet north of Forty-seventh street

Which was adopted.

By Councilman Desmond—

Resolved, That permission be and the same is hereby given to John D. Smith to display a sign in front of his premises, number one hundred and sixty-one Bleecker-street, to remain during the pleasure of the Common Council.

Which was adopted.

MOTIONS.

Councilman Keech moved that the Committee on Donations and Charities be discharged from the further consideration of report of Committee on Finance of Board of Aldermen, with resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Patrick McGuire, for the sum of one hundred and forty-five dollars, being for loss of horse and harness at the foot of Gansevoort-street, North River, and charge the same to its proper account.

Which was carried.

And the same was laid over.

Councilman Keech moved that the Committee on Donations and Charities be discharged from the further consideration of report of Committee on Assessments of Board of Councilmen, in favor of concurring with Board of Aldermen in adopting resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Sarah L. Vandewater and Thomas J. Marshall each, for the sum of twenty-seven dollars and seventy-two cents, to enable them to pay an assessment for sewer in Third-avenue, and charge the same to account of donations.

Which was carried.

And the same was laid over.

Councilman Keech moved that the Committee on Donations and Charities be discharged from the further consideration of report of the Committee on Finance of the Board of Aldermen in favor of adopting resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of "The Union Home and School for the Education and Maintenance of the Children of our Volunteers," for the sum of three thousand dollars, to be applied in aid of their funds, the amount to be charged by the Comptroller to the account of "Donations."

Which was carried.

And the paper was laid over.

REPORTS

Report of Committee on Salaries and Offices, in favor of adopting resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Charles Heath for the sum of two hundred and sixty dollars, said amount to be in full for services rendered during the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-six, as Inspector of Wells and Pumps.

Which was laid over.

Report of Special Committee of Board of Councilmen, in favor of concurring with the Board of Aldermen in adopting preamble of the Board of Aldermen, with resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant for the beforementioned sum of ten thousand dollars, in favor of Colonel Matthew Murphy, commanding said Sixty-ninth Regiment, said money to be used as a regimental fund for said regiment; said sum of ten thousand dollars to be taken from the appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars, under the ordinance to promote the speedy recruitment of the several regiments and brigades of volunteers from the City of New-York, organizing in this City, or actually at the seat of war, passed by the Common Council and approved by the Mayor, September two, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

Which was laid over.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following communication was received from the Comptroller, giving reasons for refusing to refund moneys voluntarily paid him for taxes on bulkhead property of Charles A. Coe, viz.:

CITY OF NEW-YORK, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE,
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE,
Dec. 22, 1862.

To the Common Council:

The resolution of the Common Council which was referred to the Comptroller with power on the eighth of November last, to refund to Charles A. Coe the aggregate amounts of tax paid by him from the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four to the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine (being eight hundred and sixty-four dollars and thirty-nine cents) upon bulkhead property, has been carefully considered, and the Comptroller has been unable to reach a conclusion favorable to the prayer of the petitioner.

The facts set forth by him are briefly that the petitioner owned a piece of bulk-head property in the Seventh Ward, which was regularly assessed in each year, from and including the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, to and including the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine. That he regularly paid such tax. He now assumes that at the time the tax was levied and paid, this class of property was not liable to taxation. The questions thus involved are of importance to the Corporation, and the Comptroller deems it not improper to transmit his views upon it to your honorable body.

Respecting the legal question involving the right to tax bulkhead property, the Comptroller does not feel called upon to express an opinion, but upon the other question—the propriety or policy of refunding money voluntarily paid into the Treasury for taxes imposed in due form of law, although it might afterward be decided that the property taxed was not liable to taxation—he regards it as a precedent involving consequences too serious to be admitted for a moment.

If the property was not legally taxable, the petitioner cannot plead ignorance of the law. The tax was not laid nor enforced by the Corporation, nor was the money collected or received for the City only. Taxes levied in this county, are levied under State laws, by officers appointed for that purpose, whose decisions are open for review, and before whom, parties can always appear and make such objections or representations, as they deem proper. The money when collected is applied partly to county, partly to City, and partly to State purposes. Mistakes may be made at times in the assessment of property. Persons taxed, have the means of acquainting themselves with the law appertaining to such matters, before the tax is laid or collected. If taxes are illegally assessed—or if property not liable to taxation is taxed, persons interested may resort to their remedies in Court, and obtain relief in that way; but public policy seems to require that, except perhaps in some extreme cases, if the money is voluntarily paid by the person assessed, this should be the end of the matter. A contrary rule would involve the finances of the City in endless confusion and subject the City to very unequal and unjust taxation. A few illustrations will suffice.

For a series of years, bulkhead property was assessed in this City—and large amounts paid for taxes so assessed, and there would seem to be no good reason why such property should not bear its proportion of the public burdens. If the petitioners' claim to be refunded is valid, there is no reason why all such amounts should not be refunded to every other person similarly situated.

During the past year a very large amount, perhaps a million of dollars, was assessed upon banks and individuals in this City, upon stocks of the United States held by such individuals and corporations. Some of the banks assessed have chosen to contest the taxation. Their rights will be finally determined by the Courts. Others have acquiesced in, and have paid the tax without any objection, either from unwillingness to litigate or from patriotic motions, or because they deemed the tax legally and rightfully imposed. A similar course may be adopted next year, and so on for a series of years. If the principle upon which the petitioner's claim rests, be a correct one, these same parties, after the lapse of half a dozen years, (if it shall appear that such stocks are exempt from taxation,) may, with as much reason as the petitioners claim to have the amounts paid by them, refunded. If so, several millions property chargeable against the present owners of property in this City would have to be assessed upon those who might then be tax-payers, because of the neglect of those first assessed to assert their claims at the proper time for so doing, or because the same parties who at the time willingly paid taxes assessed upon them, had changed their minds and desired to have their money back again.

So also of assessments for local improvements—large amounts were, during a series of years, imposed as assessments for improvements, and paid by parties who, with good reason, might have claimed that the assessments were illegal and unjust. They chose then to acquiesce in such assessments and pay the amounts charged.

All these payments are voluntary, and the parties should, from consideration of public policy, be concluded by their payments.

This seems just, and it has been declared to be the law in a case which has come before the Supreme Court during the term of the Comptroller.

The opinion of the Court in that case is annexed to this paper, (see Sandford vs. The Mayor, &c.) also the petition of Mr. Coe, and the resolution adopted by your Honorable Body respecting it.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT T. HAWS, Comptroller.

Which was received, laid over, and directed to be entered at length on the minutes, and published in the papers employed by the Corporation.

MOTIONS RESUMED.

Councilman Lent moved that the Committee on Finance be discharged from the further consideration of communication from the Comptroller, with ordinance, making additional appropriations for the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two.

Which was laid over.

Councilman Keech moved that the Clerk be directed to publish the complete proceedings of this Board in the Daily Transcript, in the same manner as the proceedings of the Board of Aldermen are now published in said paper.

Which was carried.

PAPERS FROM THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

Resolution That the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of P. Patrick Devlin for one hundred and forty dollars, for fitting up fourteen election districts in the Twentieth Ward.

(By Board of Aldermen referred to Comptroller, with power.)

Which was laid over.

Preamble reciting that the Excelsior Brigade, consisting of the Seventieth, Seventy-first, Seventy-second and Seventy-fourth Regiments New-York Volunteers have won the highest praise for their bravery in all the battles from Yorktown to the second Bull Run, under their gallant leader, Gen. D. E. Sickles; that the Fifth Regiment of this Brigade (Seventy-fourth New-York) carried their colors in battle until they were literally torn to shreds—then were stripped from the broken staff to prevent their falling into the hands of the enemy, by the Color Sergeant, who hid them in his bosom; with resolution that the Committee on National Affairs be directed to procure a brigade stand of colors to be presented to Gen. D. E. Sickles, and a regimental stand of colors to be presented to the Seventy-fourth Regiment New-York Volunteers, not to exceed the sum of six hundred dollars.

Which was laid over.

Preamble, reciting that by ordinance affirmed July twelve, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, West Washington Market was designated as one of the public markets, with ordinance providing—first, that there shall be a Clerk and Deputy Clerk of West Washington Market, to be appointed as the Clerks of other markets are appointed; second, that the Clerk shall receive one thousand five hundred dollars per annum, and the Deputy Clerk one thousand dollars per annum; and third, that the ordinance shall take effect immediately.

Which was referred to Committee on Salaries and Offices.

Report of Committee on Public Health, with resolution that all the vacant lots between Forty-seventh and Forty-eighth streets and Third and Lexington avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and the accompanying ordinance therefor adopted.

Which was referred to Committee on Public Health.

Bill of James Bates, amounting to sixty dollars, for fitting up polls of Sixth, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh and Twelfth Districts, Eighth Ward, for December election.

(By Board of Aldermen referred to Comptroller with power.)

Which was concurred in.

Report of Committee on Fire Department with resolution, first—that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Henry Phillips, Foreman, for the sum of one hundred and sixty dollars, to be in full for rent of premises known as number nine hundred and ninety-eight Broadway, occupied by Engine Company number Twenty-five, as a meeting room, from September one, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, to June thirty, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, both inclusive; second—that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Henry Phillips, for the sum of twenty-seven dollars, to be in full for rent of premises number two hundred and forty-six Seventh-avenue, occupied by Engine Company number Twenty-five, as a lodge-room, and to take the receipt for the same.

Councilman Hogan moved that the same be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Which was carried.

Bill of A. T. Stewart, for crape and gloves furnished for the funeral of Patrick Gallagher, late Sergeant-at-Arms of the Board of Aldermen.

(By Board of Aldermen, "ordered to be paid.")

Which was laid over.

Resolution that crosswalks be laid in Second-avenue, at its intersection with Forty-fifth-street, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Board, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was referred to Committee on Streets.

Report of Committee on Public Health, with resolution that the vacant lots on the southwest corner of Thirty-eighth-street and Fourth-avenue be fenced in, and the accompanying ordinance adopted, the work to be done under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was referred to Committee on Public Health.

Reports of Committee on Roads, in favor of adopting resolutions and ordinances, as follows, viz.:

Ordinance, that Seventy-seventh-street, between the

Fifth-avenue and East River, be regulated and graded, curbed and guttered, under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Ordinance, that Fifty-fifth-street, between Third and Lexington avenues, be curbed and guttered, and flagged a space four feet wide through the centre of the sidewalks of the same, under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Resolution, that Fifty-fifth-street, between Third and Fifth avenues, be flagged, curbed and guttered, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, with ordinance therefor.

Resolution, that a crosswalk be laid in Fifty-sixth-street, east side, at the intersection of Second-avenue, immediately, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, with ordinance therefor.

Resolution, that Eightieth-street, between Second and Third avenues, be curbed, guttered and flagged, and the street put in passable condition, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, with ordinance therefor.

Resolution, that Seventy-fifth-street, between Third-avenue and East River, be regulated and graded, curb and gutter stones set and sidewalks flagged four feet wide, through the centre thereof, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, with ordinance therefor.

Resolution, that Eighty-second-street, between First and Second avenues, be regulated and graded, curbed, guttered and flagged a space four feet wide, through the centre of the sidewalk thereof, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, with ordinance therefor.

Which was referred to Committee on Streets.

RESOLUTIONS RESUMED.

By Councilman Barney (introduced by unanimous consent)—

Resolved, That the Comptroller be authorized in the cancelling the assessment against James Clark to draw his warrant in favor of James Clark for the sum of fifty-eight dollars, so as to balance said account, and charge the same to its appropriate account.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Hogan, Barney, Hays, Healy, Desmond, Jones, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Orton, Ross, Stevenson, The President, Babcock, Snyder, Brice, Long—23.

By Councilman Keech—(introduced by unanimous consent.)

Resolved, that the Street Commissioner be, and he is hereby directed to establish an armory and workshop in the basement of this building for the manufacture of swords, for the purpose of furnishing said implements to the Common Council for presentation purposes only.

Which was laid over.

By Councilman Stevenson—(introduced by unanimous consent.)

Resolved, that the name of J. H. Fonda be inserted in the Commissioners of Deeds recently appointed, instead of Jesse Fonda, the same being a clerical error.

Which was laid over.

GENERAL ORDERS.

eport of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of adopting resolution that Division-street, from the Bowery to Essex-street, be paved with trap block pavement, the same to be done under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted, half the expense thereof to be borne by the property owners.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Councilmen Hogan, Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Jones, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Orton, Ross, Stevenson, The President, Snyder, Brice, Long—22.

Report of Committee on Fire Department in favor of concurring with Board of Aldermen in adopting resolution (that the Comptroller be directed to advertise for a suitable location for Hose Company number Eighteen, within the following boundaries, viz.: Wall, William, Pearl and Whitehall streets.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Councilman Hogan, Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Jones, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Orton, Ross, Stevenson, The President, Snyder, Brice, Long—22.

Report of Committee on Donations and Charities, in favor of adopting resolution that the tax for three years—one thousand eight hundred and sixty, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-one, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-two—amounting to four hundred and thirty-nine dollars and ten cents, with interest, against the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Bloomingdale, be and the same is hereby remitted.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Hogan, Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Ross, Stevenson, Snyder, Brice, Long—18.

Negative—Councilmen Jones, Lent, Orton, The President—4.

Report of Committee on Belgian Pavement, in favor of adopting ordinance that Fifty-fourth-street, between Third and Fifth avenues, be paved with Belgian pavement, one-half at the expense of the property owners and one-half at the expense of the City; also, Fifty-fourth-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, at the expense of the property owners, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department.

Which was recommitted to Committee on Belgian Pavement.

Preamble, reciting the distinguished services of General Thomas Francis Meagher, and that the City of New-York should show in some substantial manner its appreciation of his valuable services, with resolution that (if the Board of Aldermen concur) a Committee of Five from each Board be appointed for the purpose of procuring a sword, sash and belt to be presented to Brigadier-General Thomas Francis Meagher, and that the sum of eight hundred dollars be appropriated therefor.

(In Board of Aldermen, December nineteen, lost for want of a constitutional vote; subsequently reconsidered and postponed.)

Councilman Snyder moved that the same be amended by striking therefrom the sum of "eight hundred dollars," and inserting in lieu thereof the sum of "two hundred and fifty dollars."

Which was lost.

And the resolution was lost for want of a constitutional vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Hogan, Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Jones, Ryan, Repper, Webster, Miller, Stevenson, Brice, Long—13.

Negative—Councilmen Gross, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Orton, Ross, The President, Snyder—9.

Councilman Hazleton moved that such vote be reconsidered.

Which was carried.

And the paper was laid over.

MOTIONS AGAIN RESUMED.

Councilman Hazleton moved that when the Board adjourn, it do so to meet on Tuesday, twenty-third instant, at four o'clock P. M.

Which was carried.

GENERAL ORDERS RESUMED.

Report of Committee on Assessments of Board of Aldermen, with resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of James W. Beekman, President of the New-York State Women's Hospital, for the sum of one thousand four hundred and seventy-four dollars and fourteen cents, with interest, to enable him to pay an assessment for regulating and grading Lexington-avenue, from Fiftieth to Fifty-seventh-street; also for paving Lexington-avenue with trap-block pavement, from Forty-second to Fifty-seventh-street; also for regulating and grading Fiftieth-street, from Lexington-avenue to Fourth avenue; also for flagging Lexington-avenue, from Forty-second to Fifty-seventh-street, and charge the same to its proper account.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Orton, Ross, Stevenson, Long—15.

Negative—Councilmen Hogan, Jones, Miller, Hazleton, The President, Snyder, Brice—7.

Resolution that the name of William J. O'Brien, in the list of Commissioners of Deeds recently appointed, be altered so as to read William C. O'Brien, the same having been a clerical error.

Which was laid over.

Report of Committee on Finance of Board of Aldermen, with directions that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of W. A. Booth, President of the Children's Aid Society, for the sum of three thousand dollars, to be applied in aid of the funds of the said Society, the amount to be charged by the Comptroller to the account of donations.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Barney, Hayes, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Orton, Ross, Stevenson, The President, Babcock, Snyder, Brice, Long—18.

Negative—Councilmen Hogan, Healy, Desmond, Jones, Miller—5.

Report of Committee on Finance of Board of Aldermen, with resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of George W. Abbe, for the sum of two hundred and twenty-seven dollars and fifteen cents, to be applied by said George W. Abbe, in payment of assessment on the property of the Madison avenue Baptist Church, for the work of paving Madison-avenue, from Twenty-third to Forty-second-street, with Belgian Pavement, the amount to be charged by the Comptroller to the account of donations.

Which was referred to the Committee on Donations and Charities.

Report from Board of Aldermen, of Joint Special Committee appointed to receive the Twelfth Regiment, New-York National Guard, and extend to them the hospitalities of the City, with resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of the proprietor of the St. Nicholas Hotel for the sum of one thousand and six dollars, for dinner furnished to the Twelfth Regiment, New-York National Guard, on their return home from Harper's Ferry; also, in favor of Benjamin F. Brady, for the sum of thirty-five dollars for engrossing resolution; also, in favor of James Young, for the sum of twenty dollars for printing; also, in favor of Mr. Grafulla, leader of Shelton's Band, for music, and charge the same to its proper account.

Which was lost for the want of a constitutional vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Babcock, Brice, Long—16.

Negative—Councilmen Hogan, Jones, Orton, Ross, Stevenson, The President, Snyder—7.

Councilman Hazleton moved that such vote be reconsidered.

Which was carried.

And the paper was laid over.

Subsequently, Councilman Long moved to take up and consider the same.

Councilman Hogan objected.

Councilman Long moved to suspend the rules for that purpose.

Which was carried by the following vote:

Affirmative—Councilmen Barney, Desmond, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Stevenson, Babcock, Snyder, Brice, Long—14.

Negative—Councilmen Hogan, Hayes, Healy, Jones, Ryan, Hazleton, Orton, Ross, The President—9.

Councilman Ross moved that the same be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Which was carried.

Report of Committee on Assessments, in favor of concurring with Board of Aldermen in adopting resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Aaron Close for the sum of two hundred and forty-nine dollars and sixty-five cents, to enable him to pay an erroneous assessment for regulating Forty-second-street, between Tenth and Eleventh avenues, and charge the same to account of donations.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Councilmen Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Ross, Stevenson, The President, Babcock, Snyder, Brice, Long—20.

Negative—Councilmen Hogan, Orton—2.

Report of Committee on Wharves, Piers and Slips, in favor of concurring with Board of Aldermen in adopting resolution that the Street Commissioner be directed to have the slip on the south side of Pier number thirty-one, North River, dredged to a depth of three feet below low water mark.

Councilman Hogan moved that such resolution be amended by adding thereto the words following, viz.: "and that the Street Commissioner be directed to advertise for proposals."

Which was carried.

Affirmative—Councilmen Hogan, Repper, Miller, Gedney, Orton, Stevenson, The President, Babcock, Snyder, Long—15.

Negative—Councilmen Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Gross, Webster, Hazleton, Lent, Ross—8.

And the same was adopted as amended:

Affirmative—Councilmen Hogan, Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Jones, Ryan, Gross, Repper, Webster, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Keech, Lent, Orton, Ross, Stevenson, The President, Babcock, Snyder, Brice, Long—23.

Petition from Board of Aldermen, of officers of Second Regiment New-York State Militia, to have bill of Charles Whitlock, amounting to two thousand four hundred and seventy-one dollars and eighty-two cents, for fitting up Second Regiment Armory, corner of Hall-place and Seventh-street, paid by the City, with resolution that the Comptroller be directed to draw his warrant in favor of Charles Whitlock, for the sum of two thousand four hundred and seventy-one dollars and eighty-two cent, for fitting up the armory of Second Regiment New-York National Guard, and charge the same to its appropriate account.

(In Board of Councilmen, December twenty, lost for want of a constitutional vote, subsequently reconsidered and postponed.)

Which was lost for want of a constitutional vote.

Affirmative—Councilmen Hogan, Barney, Hayes, Healy, Desmond, Jones, Gross, Repper, Miller, Hazleton, Gedney, Stevenson, Babcock, Snyder, Brice, Long—16.

Negative—Councilmen Ryan, Webster, Keech, Lent, Orton Ross, The President—7.

Councilman Healy moved that such vote be reconsidered.

Which was carried.

And the paper was laid over.

PAPERS FROM BOARD OF ALDERMEN RESUMED.

Resolution, that (if the Board of Aldermen concur) the Committee on National Affairs make the necessary arrangements for the funeral service of Lieutenant-Colonel James H. Bull, Captain Julius Wehle, and Captain John P. Dodge, of the Sixty-sixth Regiment New-York Volunteers, (late Sixth Regiment New-York State Militia,) and Captain James Hougland, Twelfth Regiment New-York State Militia, killed at the battle of Fredericksburgh, on the arrival of their remains in this City, and that an authenticated copy of the preamble and resolution relative to their decease be transmitted to their families; also, that the sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated to defray the necessary expenses incident thereto.

Which was laid over.

Councilman Barney moved that the Board do now adjourn.

Which was carried.

Whereupon the President declared that the Board stood adjourned until Tuesday, twenty-third instant, at four o'clock P. M.

JOHN A. TOWLE, Deputy Clerk.

LAW REPORTS.

Court Calendar—This Day.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.—*Part I.*—Nos. 4327, 4333, 4335, 4337, 4343, 4349, 4351, 4353, 4359, 4371, 4375, 4377, 4379, 4381, 4383, 4387, 4389, 4391, 4395, 4397, 4399, 4403, 4407, 4411, 4413, 4421, 4423, 4425, 4429, 4435. *Part II.*—Nos. 4716, 4722, 4726, 4730, 4732, 4734, 4736, 4738, 4740, 4742, 4746, 4748, 4754, 4756, 4758, 4762, 4772, 4776, 4778, 4780, 4782, 4784, 4786, 4790, 4804, 4808, 4810, 4812, 4818, 4820. *Part III.*—Nos. 2682, 2353, 3640, 3324, 3873, 4035, 2418.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.—Adjourned for the Term.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.—*Part I.*—Nos. 3241, 3243, 315, 3133, 2569, 3183, 2401, 3295, 3235, 3147, 3187, 3305, 3215, 3271, 2073. *Part II.*—Nos. 1752, 2902, 2646, 2430, 3116, 3120, 3122, 3124, 3126, 3130, 3134, 3136, 3138, 3140, 3142.

Commodore Vanderbilt Refuses to Pay Harbor Duty—The Harbor Masters Sue for the Penalty.

SUPERIOR COURT—GENERAL TERM.

Before Justices Bosworth, Robertson and White.

Spencer S. Benedict et al. vs. *Cornelius Vanderbilt.*—The plaintiffs, in their right of Harbor Masters of the port of New-York, claim to recover from the defendant, as owner of the steamships *Vanderbilt, North Star, Ariel* and *Northern Light*, certain tonnage duties, imposed by a statute of this State, upon vessels entering the port of New-York and making fast to a wharf. The complaint claims that this tonnage duty is 1½ cents upon each ton in the register of the vessels, payable within forty-eight hours after the arrival of the vessel, and that in default of payment within the limited time, double the amount is recoverable by the plaintiffs by action in any Court of competent jurisdiction.

The statute under which the claim arises is chapter 72, Laws 1850, 2 R. S., (fifth edition,) p. 422.

The defendant resists the payment of the harbor dues, claiming that the act of 1850 is unconstitutional.

The case came before General Term on appeal from a decision at Special Term on demurrer.

The defendant's points are:

I.—That the duty imposed is a tonnage duty, and its imposition is void as repugnant to the Constitution of the United States, prohibiting the imposition of tonnage duties by the State. (Const. U. S., Art. I, § 10, subd. 2.)

II.—That the payment exacted is a *duty*, in the strictest sense, *of tonnage*, is apparent from the tenor of the act which imposes it upon vessels, not in remuneration of services requested or performed in respect of them, but upon their mere entry into the port and coming up to the wharf, and apportion it to the register tonnage of the vessel.

III.—The smallness of the duty does not vary its character. A duty of $10 per ton is, in principle, undistinguishable from the imposition complained of; and if the small duty be valid, any larger one would be equally so.

IV.—The application of the revenue raised by the duty to purposes connected with the regulation of the port and the vessels using the same, does not relieve the imposition from invalidity. The power to lay the duty is not dependent upon the application of its proceeds. If the imposition be valid when the duty is applied to compensate the harbor-masters, it would be equally so if the duty were appropriated to the salary of the State officers, or the support of common schools.

V.—But the imposition is invalid for its *uncertainty*. The duty is laid in these terms: "one and one-half of one *per cent. per ton*, to be computed from the tonnage expressed in the register."

This is unintelligible, and incapable of judicial interpretation, in effectuation of a supposed legislative intent.

A pecuniary proportion of or upon the capacity or burden of a vessel is impossible.

The plaintiffs' construction, that the law means "*one and one-half cents*" per ton, is only more natural or more reasonable than "one and one-half shillings," or "one and one-half dollars," or "one and one-half eagles," per ton, as reducing the imposition to the measure of our smallest coin, and so lessening the burden on commerce.

VI. The whole spirit and effect of this law of the State is at variance with the fundamental purposes of the Federal Constitution in the control of navigation and commerce, whether in respect of foreign nations or in respect of uniformity among the States. The act in question discriminates, in its burdens, between foreign and domestic vessels. (Const. U. S., Art. I, § 8, subd. 1, 3; § 9, subd. 5.)

VII. The imposition of the duty being void, the double or penal duty, imposed for omission of voluntary payment, cannot be enforced.

The plaintiffs claim that the duty is not a tonnage duty within the meaning of the United States Constitution, payable to the State, but a mode of compensation to the Harbor-masters.

There is nothing in the spirit of the law antagonistic to the Constitution of the United States.

The law does not control the commerce, it does not control the navigation, but simply makes property within the State liable to pay for its protection while within the State. All pilot laws would be equally offensive, and the imposing of a fine for lying with jibboom rigged out would be equally objectionable.

The States, before the adoption of the Constitution of the United States, had the right to impose taxes; that right has never been surrendered, and they still possess it; and possessing the power to tax, it cannot conflict with the Constitution of the United States, that they exercise it, and discriminate in its exercise.

Bebee, Dean & Donohue for plaintiffs; N. B. Labau and Wm. M. Evarts for defendants.

Decisions.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Before Justice Barnard.

Tunison vs. *Blankman.*—Order granted.

Caldwell vs. *Manning.*—Motion granted.

Leggett vs. *Sloan.*—Resettlement denied.

Bliss vs. *Millspaugh.*—Order granted.

Taylor vs. *Shipman.*—Motion denied.

Scott vs. *Scott; Poole* vs. *Poole.*—Divorces granted.

In the Matter of Russell vs. *McSorley.*—There is no reason why this should not take the usual course of reference; as parties have a right to file notices of claims at any time prior to an order of reference, I shall order a reference in all cases of application for surplus moneys.

Bank of New-Jersey vs. *O'Callagan.*—Motion denied.

The Hoffman Steam Coal Company vs. *Portley.*—Motion granted; defendant to stipulate not to sue.

In the Matter of Fritner.—Order settled.

The Mutual Life Insurance Company vs. *Tomlinson.*—Motion denied, unless the plaintiffs consent to allow the defendant's counter claim.

Smith vs. *Lilly.*—Motion granted, $10 costs. Injunction dissolved.

Coleman vs. *The Second-avenue Railroad Company.*—Motion granted, $10 costs.

In the Matter of Geo. W. Niles.—Referee ordered to take proof of the facts stated in the opposing and moving affidavits, and such other proof as the parties may adduce, or report the same to the Court with his opinion thereon. The defendant Niles in the first instance to pay the costs of the reference. Reference to be brought on two days' notice by either party.

The Stuyvesant Insurance Company vs. *Curtis et al.*—Motion granted.

Tausch vs. *Tausch.*—Judgment of Divorce granted.

Davis vs. *Demarest.*—(No. 1.) Order granted.

Phelps vs. *Van Dusen.*—Order granted.

Bodine vs. *Gibbs.*—Order granted. Referee ordered to hear and determine.

Bank for Savings vs. *Doremus.*—Order granted.

Davis vs. *Demarest.*—(No. 2.) *Smith* vs. *Washman.*—Orders granted.

Walsh v. *Bowen.*—Motion granted.

In re application of Chas. C. North to be appointed Trustee.—Application granted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Before Justice Bosworth.

Speyers vs *Peabody.*—A reference of the whole issue in this action to Charles Van Santvoord. (Papers in Clerk's office.)

Before Justice Robertson.

Nibio vs. *Hamsin et al.*—Ordered that Henry Hamsin be appointed receiver, and Edward W. Cone guardian, *ad litem*, for defendant, Geo. Hamsin.

Agawam Bank vs. *Egerton et al.*—Answer struck out as sham; judgment for plaintiff, for notes, with interest and costs.

Commins vs. *Barkelew.*—Motion to refer denied, costs to abide event.

President National Bank of Boston vs. *Leavitt et al.*—Motion to set aside attachment granted. (Papers in Clerk's office.)

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange....Dec. 22, 1862.

$2,000 U. S. 6s '81..Cou.	103	200 Erie Railway....b30	62
6,000 do	102¾	200 do	62
5,000 U. S. 5s, '74. Cou.	92	200 do	62⅛
6,000 Tre. 7 3.10 p. c.N.	100⅞	50 do b30	62⅛
5,000 do	100⅝	350 do	62⅛
65,000 do	100½	100 do b30	62⅝
15,000 U. S. 6s, 1 yr. C.	95	20 do	62⅛
50,000 do	94¾	300 do	62⅛
5,000 U. S. D. Ns.	127	400 Erie Railway Pref..	94⅞
1,000 Mo. St. 6s.	51¾	100 do b30	95
1,000 Mo. 6s, Iss. to H. &St.J.exJulyCou	72	50 do	94⅞
5,000 Louisiana St. 6s..	65	50 Hudson River R..	76⅝
1,000 N. Y. Cen. 6s....	109⅛	10 do	76⅝
1,000 N.Y. Cen. 7s, '76.	115⅛	300 do	76⅝
7,000 Erie 1st Mt. Bds.	116	1000 Harlem Railroad..	23½
31,000 Erie 5th M. Bds..	97	80 do	23
1,000 Harlem R.2d M..	104	250 Harlem R. Pref..	54
6,000 Mich. Cen. 8s, old.	112	400 do	54¾
6,000 Mich. So. 2d M..	92⅛	300 do	54⅝
500 Alt.&T.H.1st M..	100	100 do s30	54⅝
20,000 A.&T.H.2d M.Prf	83	20 Sixth-avenue R..	126
19,000 do	83⅛	50 do	125
1,500 A.&T.H.Inc.Bds.	66	600 Reading Railroad..	75⅛
24,000 do	67	5 Mich. Central R..	91⅝
5,000 C.&N.W.Asst.Bs	60	255 do	91
15,000 C.&N.W.2d M..	32	50 do s30	90⅞
20 Metropolitan Bank.	106	100 M. So. & N. I. R. s30	41
50 do	105½	500 do	41⅛
5,000 Ill. Cen. R. Bds..	110	100 do b30	41⅛
5,000 D.,L &W.R.1st B.	115	150 do s30	41⅛
4,000 Tol. & W. 1st M.	98⅛	250 do b10	41⅛
10,000 T. & W. 2d M b10	80½	100 do	41
350 Bk. of N. Y. ex div.	103½	50 Panama Railroad..c.	170
266 Bk. of Commerce..	98¾	950 Clev. & Pitts. R..	48⅛
33 Amer. Ex. Bank..	97	38 Cleve., Col. & Cin..	145
125,000 Amer. Gold..	132⅝	100 Gal.&Chic. R..	83
5,000 do s10	132⅝	50 do b30	82⅞
5,000 do	132⅝	50 do	82⅞
20 Penn. Coal Co..	117⅝	300 Cleve. & T. R..	71⅛
30 do	118	50 do	71⅛
227 Pac. Mail S. Co..	136⅛	100 do	71⅛
150 do	136⅝	200 do	71⅛
240 N. Y. Cen. R..	103⅛	50 Chic. & Rock Isl'd R	81⅛
100 do	103⅛	100 do b30	81⅛
150 do	103⅛	50 do b10	81⅛
50 do s15	103⅛	50 do	81⅛
11 Pitts.,Ft.W. & Chi.R	52⅛	95 Chi. & Bur. Quin.R	87
20 do	52¼	10 New-Jersey R..	145
		100 Alt. & T.Haute 2d Pf	41

SECOND BOARD.

$16,000 U. S. 6s '81.Reg.	97¾	350 Erie Railway Pref..	95
50,000 do	98	200 do b10	95
100,000 U. S. 6s '81.Cou	103	300 Hud. River R..	77
5,000 U. S. 5s '74.Cou.	92	50 do b10	77
5,000 U. S. 6s, '67..Reg.	96	400 Harlem R..	23⅛
100,000 Tre. 7 3.10 ℘ ct. Notes	101⅛	200 do	22⅛
1,000 do..indorsed.	100⅞	900 do	23⅛
20,000 do	101⅛	100 do b30	23⅛
50,000 U. S. 6s, 1 yr. C.	95¼	300 Harlem R. Pref..	51⅛
50,000 do	95⅛	200 do	54⅛
5,000 do	96	100 do	54⅛
1,000 N. Car. State 6s..	70	250 do b5	54⅛
1,000 Ky. State 6s..	100	150 Mich. Central R..	91⅛
4,000 Tenn.St.6s,'90..	54⅛	100 do	91⅛
5,000 do	54	100 M. So.&N. Ind. R..	41⅛
1,000 Mo. St. 6s..	52	250 do	41⅛
10,000 do	51⅞	50 do s30	41⅛
1,000 N. Y. Cen 7s, '76.	114⅛	1000 do	41⅛
1,000 Gal. & Chi. 1st M.	111	150 M.So.& N.I.G.S..	83⅛
2,000 A. & T. H. In. B.	67	50 do b60	83⅛
5,000 do	67⅛	100 Ill. Cen. R. Scrip..	79⅛
4,000 do	67⅛	1200 do	79⅛
20,000 A.&T.H.2dm. prf.	84⅛	100 do b10	79⅛
5,000 Tol. & W. 2d m.	81⅛	100 do s10	79⅛
5,000 Cl. & Pitts.4th m	74	100 do	79⅛
5,000 Mich. So. S. F..	103	500 do	79⅛
5,000 C.&N.W.Ass't.bs.	61⅛	500 Cleve. & Pitts. R..	48⅛
40,000 Amer. Gold..	132⅛	300 do	49
35,000 do b30	132⅛	12 do	48⅛
1,140 do	132⅛	150 Gal. & Chi. R..	82⅛
5,000 do	132⅛	300 Clev. & Tol. R..	71⅛
50,000 do	132⅛	200 do	71⅛
200 Del. & H.Cn.Co.s15.	118⅜	100 do b30	71⅛
27 do	119	200 do	71⅛
400 Pac. M. Steam Co.	136⅜	50 do s15	71⅛
100 do ....b30.	136⅛	100 do b10	71⅛
48 do	137	100 Chi. & R. I..	81⅛
50 do ....s30.	134⅜	100 do s10	81⅛
100 do s60	133	200 do b30	82
9 N. Y. Cen. R..	103⅛	50 Alt. & T. H. 2d.Pre.	42
50 do	103⅛	15 Alt. & T. Haut R..	20
250 Erie Railway..	62⅛	150 P., Ft. W. & C. R..	53
100 do b30	62⅛	200 do	53⅛
700 do	62⅛	100 do b30	53⅛
		16 Sixth-avenue R..	126
		50 Mil. & Pr. Du C. R.	32

THIRD BOARD—1 P. M.

At Room No. 23 William-street.

$10,000 Amer. Gold..	132⅛	100 Harlem R. Pref..	54⅛
40,000 Trea. 7 3.10 p. ct. Notes	101	150 Mich. Southern..	41
229 Penn. Coal Co..	118	100 Mich. South. Guar.	83⅛
100 Pacific Mail S. Co..	137	300 Clev. & Pitts. R	48⅛
150 Erie R..	62⅛	2000 Clev & Tol. R..	71⅛
1200 do	62⅛	200 Chic. & R. Isld R.	81⅛

FOURTH BOARD—4 P. M.

At Room No. 23 William-street.

$35,000 American Gold..	132⅛	300 Harlem. R. Pref..	54⅛
32,500 Trea. 73-10 ℘ ct. Notes	101⅛	250 M. So. & N. Ia. R..	41⅛
10,000 do	102	100 do	41⅛
5,000 Debt Certif..	96	50 M. So. & N. I.G.Sk.	83
30,000 U. S. Dm. N..	126⅞	100 Ill. Central R..	79⅛
7,000 do	127	300 do	79⅛
35 Penn. Coal Co..	118	300 Clev. &Pitts. R..	48⅛
150 Pac. M. St. Co..	136⅛	200 do	48⅛
200 do	136⅛	100 Clev. & Toledo R..	71⅛
1700 Erie Railway..	62⅛	900 do	71⅛
2400 do	62⅛	200 Chic. & R. Isl..	81⅛
350 Harlem R..	23	200 Pits., Ft. W.& C. R.	53

MONDAY, Dec. 22—P. M.

The Weekly Averages of the Banks of the City of New-York, on Saturday, Dec. 20, 1862, present in the aggregate the following changes from the previous exhibit of Dec. 13:

Increase in Loans	$919,650
Decrease in Specie	1,154,418
Decrease in Circulation	39,915
Increase in Undrawn Deposits	133,835

Including the Clearing-house operations of the week, which show the inter-exchanges between the Banks, and including also the Sub-Treasury balance at the close of the week, the following is the general comparison with the previous exhibit, and also with the movement this time last season:

	Dec. 21, 1861.	Dec. 20, 1862.	Dec. 13, 1862.
Capital	$69,050,000	$69,128,000	$69,128,000
Loans	155,784,280	173,853,596	172,933,946
Specie	36,813,369	35,554,336	36,708,754
Circulation	8,559,361	9,889,625	9,929,544
Gross Deposits	145,781,924	188,227,328	190,109,878
Exchanged	20,884,390	33,392,827	35,419,212
Undrawn	124,897,534	154,824,501	154,690,666
In Sub-Treasury	4,494,793	10,107,906	10,317,583

The Bank return shows a steady line of Deposits and a moderate increase in Loans and Discounts. The Specie average again feels the influence of the temporary Loan of Gold to the Treasury for the payment of the 1st January Interest on the Public Debt. The total amount of Gold in Bank and Sub-Treasury is about $40,000,000.

The price of Gold to-day being about 132½ ℘ cent., the rate of Exchange on London has not varied materially from the quotation of Saturday—145½@146 ℘ cent. But the business is very dull in first-class Bankers' bills. Merchant bills rate from 143½ to 145 ℘ cent. The price of Money to the Brokers continues 6 ℘ cent., and the supply easy. Treasury Bonds and Certificates went down this morning to 100½ for the 7.30 ℘ cents., and 94½@¾ for 6 ℘ cent. One-year Certificates, but at a later hour this large decline brought forward buyers, and the bidding improved ½℘1½ ℘ cent. So far as this decline was influenced by the crisis in the Cabinet, the nervousness of holders is not to be wondered at, for a day or two or until the difficulty in the Administration is quieted. But if the precipitate sales of 7.30 ℘ cents of 1864, and 6 ℘ cents of 1863 were made upon the rumors or supposition that new Loans, in heavy sums, are to be peremptorily forced upon the market by the Government, for what they will bring, either at an early or remote day, the sellers have made a mistake. There is to be no such humiliation of the Public Credit. The Secretary of the Treasury contemplates nothing of the sort, nor would Congress, under any circumstances, authorize it, should he leave the matter to their decision. The opinion not to say conviction of three-fourths the Administration members of both Houses is in favor of a further issue of United States Notes of legal tender, before even the danger of any serious sacrifice upon the Funded Stocks or Treasury Bonds of the Government shall be encountered in the open market, under any circumstances, much less at an unsettled time like the present, when a large loan would be utterly impracticable *at any price short of ruin to the Public Credit for all future negotiations.*

The Stock Market was again firm on the Railway Shares, and the speculative temper quite strong throughout the forenoon and buoyant at the close of the day. The difficulties at Washington make but slight impression on this department of the Exchange. The transactions at both the old and new Boards are large. The same firmness extends to the Railway Mortgages, and to Panama and Pacific Mail Shares. The cash stock of Pacific Mail was again in demand at 136½@137 ℘ cent., for delivery to-day, and actual holders out of the Street, who are looking to the quarterly dividend of 5 ℘ cent. in February, and the constantly improving business of the line, especially in freights to California, with which the steamers from California are overwhelmed, are not much disposed to supply the bids, large as the advance has been. The same, or rather a more signal effect has attended the 4 ℘ cent. quarterly dividends of the Panama Company and their increasing traffic, without the help of a short interest in the Stock to put it up. The price is 168@170 ℘ cent. on 16 ℘ cent. a year, while Pacific, with three-fourths its Capital in Money and Supplies, and only one-fourth in steam, (by the present reduced valuation of their ships,) and paying 20 ℘ cent. a year, has only reached 137 ℘ cent. We do not know that either is cheap at the price, but it is well enough to understand that the extraordinary Dividends of 16@20 ℘ cent. in times like the present, and with an acknowledged surplus at the end of each term, are having their influence with buyers over all considerations of any mere *corner* in the Stock among the Wall-street speculators.

Late in the afternoon at the second meeting of the Public Board, the general market continued firm, the demand embracing the United States Securities at a rapid recovery from the low sales made early in the forenoon. The 7.30 ℘ Cents sold at 101⅞@102 ℘ cent. The Railway shares closed about as follows, compared with the last sales of Saturday. Gold Coin steady at 132⅜@132½ ℘ cent. The one year Treasury Certificates advanced to 95⅞@96 ℘ cent.

	Sat.	Mon.		Sat.	Mon.
U. S. 6s, 1881	103⅝	103⅝	Missouris	51⅞	51⅞
Treas. 7.30 ℘ cts	101⅝	101⅞	Tennessees	53⅝	54⅛
U.S. Notes C. H.	127	126⅞	Harlem	23⅛	23⅛
American Gold	132⅝	132⅛	Illinois Central	79	79⅛
N. Y. Central	103⅛	103⅛	Toledo	71	71⅛
Erie Common	62	62⅛	Pittsburgh	49	48⅛
Erie Preferred	94⅞	95	Rock Island	81	82
Hudson	76⅞	77	Galena	83	82⅞
Mich. Cent. x. d.	91⅞	91⅛	Pacific	136⅝	136⅝
Mich. Southern	41⅞	41⅛	Panama	168	168
Mich. Guarant'd	83⅞	83⅛	Harlem Pref	54⅛	54⅛

The following are the bids made to-day for the City Bank Shares.

New-York	103⅛	Irving	78
Merchants'	99	Metropolitan	105
Phenix	105	Grocers'	88
North River	95	East River	90
Butchers' and Drovers'	118	Nassau	98
State of New-York	96	Continental	88
Commerce	98	Importers' & Traders'	1 2
American Exchange	97	Commonwealth	87
Bank of N. America	97	Park	119
Hanover	87		

The Railway Mortgages are generally advancing, under a firm demand. The following were the bids on the regular call at the early Board:

N. Y. Cen. 7s, '76	114⅛	Chi. & N. W. Int. Bds.	87
N. Y. Cen. 7s, con. '76	116	Chi. & N. W. 1sts, 2d s.	75
Erie firsts, '68	116	Chi. & N. W. 1sts Ass	60
Erie seconds '79	115	Chi. & N. W. seconds	32
Erie thirds, '83	108⅛	Lac. & Western Bonds	109
Erie fourths, '80	100½	Del., Lack. & W. 1sts	114⅛
Erie fifths, '68	97	Del., Lack. & W. 2nds	109
Buff., N.Y. & E. 1sts, '77	94	Tol. & Wab. firsts	98⅛
Harlem firsts, '69-73	107	Tol. & Wab. seconds	80
Harlem seconds, '64	104⅛	Tol. & Wab. Int. Bds	83
Harlem thirds, '68	93	Mil. & P. du Chien 1sts	104
Mich. Cen. 8 ℘ c. '69-72	112	Gal. & Chic firsts	1 8
Mich. C. n. f. 8 ℘ c. '82	115⅛	Gal. & Chic firsts ext	110
Chi. Bur. & Q. 8 ℘ c. 1sts	116⅛	Gal. & Chic second	110
Mich. So. 7 ℘ c. 2ds	92⅛	Cleve. & Tol. s. f.	103⅛
N. Ind. Gosh. Line '68	102	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 1sts	107⅛
M. S. & N. Ind. s. f. 7 ℘ c.	102	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 2ds	93⅛
Ill. Cen. 7 ℘ c., '75	110	Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 3ds	70
St. L., Al. & T. H. 1sts	99⅛	Clev. & Pitts. firsts	102
T. H. & Alton seconds	95	Clev. & Pitts. seconds	102
T. H. & A. seconds pref.	83⅛	Clev. & Pitts. thirds	90
T. H. & A. Income Bds	66	Clev. & Pitts. fourths	72
Chi. & N. W. s. f.	102⅛		

The following additional Half-Yearly Dividends have been announced: Bank of North America, 3½ ℘ cent., Jan. 8; Broadway Bank, 5 ℘ cent., Jan. 2; Mercantile Mutual, 3½ ℘ cent., Jan. 2, interest on Scrip.

The Michigan Central Company make their 5 ℘ cent. call Half-Yearly Dividend for January, on the following figures. It leaves the surplus income $208,000, as against $181,000, after the payment of the July Dividend:

DR.	INCOME ACCOUNT.	
Dec. 1, 1862—To balance of this account, per Treasurer's Report of June 1, 1862		$312,193 78
To receipts of road from June 1, 1862, to Dec. 1, 1862		1,347,036 46
Total		$1,659,230 24
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By dividend of 3 ℘ cent., July 1, 1862		$131,713 00
By annual payments toward sinking funds		34,500 00
By operating account, exclusive of interest and exchange, from June 1, 1862, to Dec. 1, 1862	$591,264 42	
By interest and exchange account, from June 1, 1862, to Dec. 1, 1862	290,504 75	—881,769 17
By balance to new account		511,248 07
Total		$1,659,230 24

The foregoing account shows the net receipts of the road for six months ending 1st inst., after deducting operating, interest, and exchange accounts, but excluding the amount paid to the Sinking Funds, to be $165,267 29. After deducting the amount paid to Sinking Funds, the balance is $380,767 29. Adding the balance to credit of this account June 1, $312,193 78, less the July dividend, $181,713, the amount to credit of income account is......$511,248 07

*Deduct dividend of 5 ℘ cent., declared this day 302,860 00

Leaves a balance to income account of......$208,388 07

The Company is free from floating debt.

The sum invested in the Sinking Funds amounts to $150,057, all bearing interest at the rate of 8 ℘ cent. ℘ annum.

The Directors of the East River Bank have declared a dividend of 3½ ℘ cent., free of Government tax, from the profits of the last 6 months, payable on and after Jan. 2, 1863.

The day's business at the office of the Assistant Treasurer of the United States, was as follows: Receipts, $463,174 87, including $166,000 for Customs; Payments, $998,517 77; Balance, $9,572,563 26.

CITY BANK STATEMENTS.

WEEKLY AVERAGES OF THE NEW-YORK CITY BANKS.

BANKS.	LOANS.		SPECIE.		[illegible]		[illegible]	
	Dec. 20.	Dec. 13.	Dec. 20.	Dec. 13.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bk. of New-York.	6,468,801	6,202,388	1,729,188	1,043,057	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	6,126,173
Manhattan Co.	6,292,221	6,544,737	1,995,569	1,934,864	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Merchants' Bank.	7,236,292	7,300,694	1,912,439	1,989,105	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Mechanics' Bank.	4,761,891	4,713,301	779,316	727,869	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Union Bank.	4,104,669	4,156,824	2,153,303	2,062,582	132,469	140,817	[illegible]	4,127,718
Bank of America.	9,460,093	9,456,976	2,368,511	2,699,207	38,972	37,466	[illegible]	[illegible]
Phenix Bank.	4,509,887	4,543,641	776,251	776,647	63,442	69,583	3,563,481	3,252,912
City Bank.	3,894,549	3,724,862	2,258,898	2,267,577	......	......	[illegible]	[illegible]
Tradesmen's Bank	2,454,842	2,569,268	155,854	180,838	314,468	303,292	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fulton Bank.	1,923,141	1,888,794	305,155	356,670	182,169	189,519	1,950,839	1,970,746
Chemical Bank.	3,130,314	3,136,607	2,802,877	2,823,711	67,273	68,488	6,212,935	[illegible]
Merch. Exch. Bk.	2,722,221	2,718,782	174,242	190,917	186,338	197,323	1,640,696	1,722,763
National Bank.	2,434,029	2,403,413	403,832	445,513	169,903	115,331	1,391,439	1,440,860
Butch.&Drov.Bk.	1,624,611	1,656,080	188,190	148,890	314,971	316,059	1,734,154	1,634,497
Mech.&Trad.Bk.	919,121	912,766	306,112	306,334	178,283	186,514	1,167,900	1,146,134
Greenwich Bank.	573,319	436,315	334,349	351,900	123,137	126,243	309,820	473,334
Leather Man. Bk.	2,694,300	2,643,137	662,454	624,779	324,838	326,679	2,249,247	2,228,630
Seventh Ward Bk.	1,366,449	1,374,783	299,384	309,391	108,744	113,273	1,230,147	1,205,393
Bk. St. New-York.	5,992,315	6,097,897	852,755	938,378	277,405	274,947	5,123,007	5,460,179
Am. Exchange Bk.	8,788,687	8,628,578	2,071,957	2,330,233	222,779	231,565	7,089,944	6,800,073
Bk. of Commerce.	13,692,063	13,675,011	1,380,991	1,405,403	1,705	1,705	9,232,307	9,176,946
Broadway Bank.	5,830,913	5,771,357	684,225	792,397	324,599	325,478	5,774,345	5,930,816
Ocean Bank.	2,311,159	2,433,202	229,392	239,039	96,627	96,057	1,678,082	1,757,104
Mercantile Bank.	3,226,814	3,236,957	548,065	572,890	6,377	6,377	3,919,327	3,721,514
Pacific Bank.	1,517,273	1,502,317	166,019	165,966	106,321	105,157	1,393,768	1,383,214
Bank of Republic.	4,572,744	4,648,704	1,367,612	1,369,123	204,107	211,277	4,086,661	4,023,694
Chatham Bank.	1,036,511	1,027,407	86,254	100,283	33,100	34,071	691,684	670,521
People's Bank.	856,060	858,641	94,802	99,006	101,708	102,615	771,164	751,661
Bank of N. Am.	2,679,467	2,701,861	169,249	184,710	179,952	181,062	1,900,429	1,873,529
Hanover Bank.	2,267,022	2,287,549	135,851	152,684	172,512	173,169	1,307,988	1,394,495
Irving Bank.	1,153,055	1,142,831	76,928	89,590	122,014	122,718	827,966	861,445
Metropolitan Bk.	10,471,263	10,374,146	1,509,393	1,691,803	548,699	543,053	8,168,716	8,289,075
Citizen's Bank.	960,752	904,847	69,397	90,251	179,106	180,307	776,387	764,227
Nassau Bank.	2,292,637	2,359,000	280,971	277,209	12,286	12,388	1,939,108	1,882,036
Market Bank.	2,388,454	2,365,628	237,100	278,782	274,562	279,112	1,573,513	1,627,748
St. Nicholas Bank	1,545,609	1,466,117	3 5,846	362,741	198,014	198,489	1,330,129	1,251,215
Shoe & Leath. Bk.	3,059,458	3,018,500	224,200	223,290	626,442	612,623	2,154,879	2,208,407
Corn Exch. Bank.	2,844,365	2,813,942	344,090	296,083	278,883	275,703	2,079,189	1,920,010
Continental Bank.	4,080,644	3,953,181	311,916	309,202	253,906	260,800	2,288,101	2,238,694
Bk. of Commw'lth	1,782,676	1,798,905	189,367	178,116	322,259	321,428	1,498,471	1,578,665
Oriental Bank.	744,974	709,780	43,433	58,463	151,299	151,878	668,190	656,174
Marine Bank.	1,947,124	1,928,138	322,414	240,780	286,692	290,287	1,693,148	1,569,719
Atlantic Bank.	848,417	868,579	69,241	78,359	130,318	131, 45	584,605	574,345
Imp. & Trad's Bk.	3,468,267	3,357,340	432,050	472,658	220,000	217,916	2,932,350	2,828,456
Park Bank.	9,913,845	9,734,752	3,159,567	3,446,493	397,504	397,587	11,770,138	12,041,825
Mech. Bk'g Ass'n.	1,241,912	1,156,617	116,179	165,114	83,233	83,755	954,473	968,176
Grocers' Bank.	821,780	856,119	69,464	60,616	51,389	55,276	640,317	616,588
North River Bank	865,450	858,427	68,749	58,857	81,887	82,048	706,223	673,968
East River Bank.	396,932	401,924	19,969	18,771	110,073	108,898	334,130	310,311
Manuf.& Mer. Bk	1,375,914	1,393,148	108,200	122,917	8,394	8,545	1,087,778	1,079,148
N.Y. Dry Dock Co.	690,452	731,504	110,742	110,548	196,729	197,546	328,728	378,339
N.Y. Exch. Bank.	489,546	513,373	55,864	61,862	179,332	180,492	468,673	489,425
Bull's Head Bank	558,148	580,871	30,107	29,375	150,266	153,173	540,919	550,162
N.Y. County Bank	400,020	395,628	53,474	53,490	116,860	117,168	439,181	439,332
Total	173,853,596	172,933,946	35,554,336	36,708,754	$9,889,628	$9,919,544	151,824,501	154,690,666
	Increase......$919,650		Decrease......$1,154,418		Decrease......$39,915		Increase......$133,835	

GENERAL MARKETS.

NEW-YORK, Monday, Dec. 22, 1862—6 P. M.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce, since our last, have been: 41 bbls. Ashes, 28,568 bbls. Flour, 2,242 bbls. and 786 bags Corn Meal, 180 bushels Wheat, 6,057 bushels Corn, 3,306 bushels Malt, 6,628 bushels Oats, 7,903 pkgs. Provisions, and 457 bbls. Whisky.

ASHES—Continue inactive, at $8 50 for Pots and Pearls, ℘ 100 lbs.

COFFEE—Has been inactive and nominal to-day.

COTTON—Has been very quiet at 66c. for Middlings, ℘ lb.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been sparingly sought after, though prices have again declined 5c.@10c. ℘ bbl. The reported sales, since our last, comprise 9,200 bbls., including Superfine State at $5 65@$5 85; poor to choice extra State at $6@$6 35, chiefly at $6@$6 15; Superfine Western, interior to choice at $5 60@$5 80; round hoop extra Ohio, shipping brands, at $6 60@$6 75 ℘ bbl.

Superfine State	$5 65	@$5 85
Extra State	6 00	@ 6 35
Superfine Western	5 60	@ 5 80
Extra Illinois Indiana, Michigan, &c.	6 10	@ 8 25
Extra Ohio, round hoop, shipping brds	6 60	@ 6 75
Extra Ohio, trade brands	6 80	@ 8 25
Extra Genesee	6 40	@ 8 50
Interior to Choice Extra Missouri	6 50	@10 00

Southern Flour is heavy and drooping; sales of 600 bbls., at $6 70@$7 15 for poor to good superfine Baltimore, &c.; $7 20@$8 75 for fancy to choice brands, and $8 75@$10 for very superior family brands, ℘ bbl. Canadian Flour continues inactive at declining prices; sales 650 bbls. Extra, at $6 05@$8 ℘ bbl. Rye Flour is very quiet at $3 60@$5 40 for fine and superfine, ℘ bbl. Corn Meal is in limited request at $3 60@$3 85 for Jersey; $4 50 for Marsh's Caloric, and $4 45@$4 50 for Brandywine, ℘ bbl. Buckwheat Flour, $2 75@$3 15 ℘ 100 lbs.

GRAIN—Wheat has been very quiet, though prices have been reduced 1c.@2c. ℘ bush. Sales since our last of 36,500 bushels, including White Western, at $1 55@$1 65; Amber Western at $1 43; Red Western, (Winter,) at $1 37@$1 41; Amber Iowa and Wisconsin, $1 35; Milwaukee Club at $1 24@$1 31; Chicago Spring at $1 20@$1 25, and Amber State at $1 40, ℘ bush. Corn is in moderate request at drooping prices. Sales, since our last, 72,500 bushels at 75½c.@77c. for shipping Mixed Western; 70c.@75c. for Eastern Mixed co.; 66c.@69c. for unsound, ℘ bushel. Rye continues quiet at 85c.@95c., according to quality, ℘ bushel. Oats are less active, including Canada at 68½c.@70c.; Western at 69c.@71c., and State at 70c.@71c., ℘ bushel. Barley is in moderate demand at $1@$1 30 ℘ bushel. Sales 3,750 bushels.

HAY—North River is active and firm at 75c.@90c. ℘ 100 lbs.

HOPS—New Crop is in moderate demand, in part for export, at from 16c.@25c. ℘ lb.

METALS—Are dull and heavy; prices, generally nominal.

MOLASSES—Sales 110 bbls. New-Orleans, at 34c.@35c. ℘ gallon.

NAVAL STORES—Are quiet, dull and nominal in price.

OILS—Petroleum is in limited demand at 35c. for Crude, and 60c.@62½c. for Refined, ℘ gallon. Nothing really new in other descriptions.

PROVISIONS—Pork has been in less demand, at drooping prices. Sales, 1,400 bbls., at $14 25@$14 31¼, closing at $14 25 for Mess, and $11 62½@$12 50 for prime, ℘ bbl. Cut Meats are in good demand, at 7c.@8c. for Hams, and 4¾c.@5½c. for Shoulders, ℘ lb. Bacon continues in good request at 7¼c.@9½c. ℘ lb.; sales, 750 boxes. Lard is active and buoyant; sales 2,100 tcs. and bbls., at 9½c.@10c., ℘ lb. Beef is in good demand, at former rates; sales, since our last, 575 bbls., at $13@$14 for Extra Mess, and $11 50@$13 for Plain Mess, ℘ bbl. Prime Mess, $20@$22 ℘ tierce; India Mess, $25@$26 ℘ tce. Beef Hams, $13@$15 50 ℘ bbl. Butter continues in request at 15c.@20c. for poor to choice Western, and 21c.@26c. for common to choice State, ℘ lb. Cheese rules quiet, at 9c.@13c. ℘ lb.

RICE—Sales, of small lots East India, were made at $6 75@$7 25 ℘ 100 lbs.

SUGARS—Sales 240 hhds. New-Orleans at 9½c.@10½c. ℘ lb.

TALLOW—Sales 80,000 lbs. at 10¼c.@10½c. ℘ lb.

WHISKY—Sales 500 bbls. at 38½c.@39c., mainly at 39c. ℘ gallon.

FREIGHTS—Were very quiet, to-day. For Liverpool, 200 bbls. Flour were taken at 2s. ℘ bbl. 2,000 bush. Corn in ship's bags, at 7d. ℘ bush.; 200 bbls. Tallow at 35s., and 100 Mowing Machines on private terms, ℘ ton. For London, 200 tcs. Beef at 6s. 6d. ℘ tierce, and 350 boxes Bacon at 25s.@45s., for an American and foreign vessel respectively. For Glasgow, 200 bbls. Flour at 2s. 9d. ℘ bbl. For Antwerp, 1,500 gallons Oil at 2d. ℘ gallon.

Movements of European Steamers.

FROM EUROPE.

Glasgow	Dec. 10	Liverpool	New-York.
Bohemian	Dec. 11	Liverpool	Portland.
Europa	Dec. 13	Liverpool	Boston.
United Kingdom	Dec. 16	Glasgow	New-York.
Etna	Dec. 17	Liverpool	New-York.
Hammonia	Dec. 17	Southampton	New-York.
Persia	Dec. 20	Liverpool	New-York.
New-York	Dec. 24	Southampton	New-York.
City of Baltimore	Dec. 24	Liverpool	New-York.
Africa	Dec. 27	Liverpool	Boston.
Teutonia	Dec. 31	Southampton	New-York.
Borussia	Jan. 14	Southampton	New-York.
Hansa	Jan. 21	Southampton	New-York.
Saxonia	Jan. 28	Southampton	New-York.
Bavaria	Feb. 11	Southampton	New-York.

FROM AMERICA.

Arabia	Dec. 24	Boston	Liverpool.
Edinburgh	Dec. 27	New-York	Liverpool.
Caledonia	Dec. 27	New-York	Glasgow.
Bavaria	Dec. 27	New-York	Southampton
Scotia	Dec. 30	New-York	Liverpool.
Great Eastern	Jan. 3	New-York	Liverpool.
Glasgow	Jan. 3	New-York	Liverpool.
Europa	Jan. 7	Boston	Liverpool.
United Kingdom	Jan. 10	New-York	Glasgow.
Persia	Jan. 14	New-York	Liverpool.

Departure of European Mails.

The mails for Europe by the steamship *Arabia* from Boston for Liverpool, will close at the New-York Post-office, to-day, (Tuesday,) at 5 P. M.

Departure of Domestic Mails.

North Mails close at......5 A. M. and 3:30 P. M.
South Mails close at......5 A. M. and 4:30 and 10½ P. M.
Western Mails (via Erie Railroad) .5 A. M. and 3:30 P. M.
Eastern Mails at 5 A. M., 1:45 P. M., 4 P. M. and 6:30 P. M.
Mails for California, Oregon, Washington and the Sandwich Islands close daily at the New-York Post-office at 5½ A. M. and 3½ P. M.
On Sunday all Mails close at 1:30 P. M.

MUSICAL.

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AS COOK, WASHER AND IRONER, OR FOR GENERAL WORK.—A willing and obliging young woman, with the best of references from last employers, desires a situation in City or country; is a good cook and baker and a first-rate washer and ironer; salary not so much an object as a good home. Call at No. 378 6th-av.

AS COOK.—WANTED, BY A COMPETENT, TIDY woman, with excellent City reference, a situation as cook, in all its branches; understands meats, poultry, pastry, soups and game; or as thorough laundress; does up linen and is fully competent; wages $9, City or country. Call at No. 192 East 21st-st., for two days.

AS COOK, &c.—A COMPETENT WOMAN wants a place as good cook, washer and ironer, or would do the general housework of a small family; is willing and obliging; has good City references. Call for two days at No. 13 Union-court, University-place, between 11th and 12th sts.

AS COOK.—A SITUATION WANTED BY A RESPECTABLE Protestant woman, either in City or country; is an excellent cook and baker; has no objections to assist with the washing and ironing, and is an excellent dairy woman, and can give good City reference. Apply or address No. 760 8th-av., in the store.

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AS COOK, &c.—CHAMBERMAID, &c.—Wanted, by two Protestant girls; one as cook, or will do the housework of a small family; the other as chambermaid and waitress, no objection to the neighboring city; both good washers and ironers; best of City reference. Call at No. 167 West 13th-st., between 7th and 8th avs. for two days.

AS COOK.—WANTED, A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young woman as cook; is a good plain cook, and understands all kinds of baking; would do some washing and ironing; has City reference. Call at No. 42 West 13th-st., near 6th-av.

AS COOK.—A RESPECTABLE WOMAN WISHES a situation as professed cook; understands boning and larding, soups, jellies, &c. Refers to her last employer, with whom she has lived three years. Apply at BEDELL'S, No. 307 4th-av.

AS GERMAN SEAMSTRESS.—A RESPECTABLE, neat person, who understands dressmaking, can do all kinds of sewing and embroidery, wishes a situation; speaks English fluently. Apply at the Employment Society's Office, Clinton Hall, Astor-place, near Broadway.

AS CHAMBERMAID, &c.—WANTED, A SITUATION, by a genteel and most respectable girl, to do chamberwork and sewing, or fine washing and ironing, or to wait on young ladies; has been in the capacity of assistant housekeeper; no objections to go to California or Cuba; the most satisfactory reference given. Can be seen at No. 60 Greenwich-av., between 10th and 11th sts.

AS CHAMBERMAID, &c.—AN ACTIVE young woman wishes a situation as chambermaid and waitress; would assist with children, or any other domestic duty if required. Has excellent City references. Call for two days at No. 13 Union-court, University-place, between 11th and 12th sts.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS.—Wanted, a situation, by a respectable Protestant girl, as chambermaid and waitress in a small private family, or would do chamberwork and fine washing; none but respectable private families need apply; has best of City reference. Can be seen for two days at 121 West 24th-st.

AS CHAMBERMAID, &c.—A SITUATION wanted, by a respectable Protestant woman, as chambermaid and waitress, or as chambermaid and do fine washing and ironing. Apply at her present employer's, No. 37 West 31st, between 10 and 12 o'clock, for two days.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND LAUNDRESS.—Wanted by a competent young woman, a situation as chambermaid and laundress; does French fluting; satisfactory City references given. Can be seen for two days at No. 38 West 13th-st., first floor, back room.

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AS CHILD'S NURSE—WANTED, BY AN EXPERIENCED person, a situation as child's nurse; can take the entire charge of an infant from its birth; has had the care of children for many years, always giving satisfaction to her employer; would assist in sewing or light chamberwork; would go a short distance in the country; the best City reference given. Apply for two days at No. 78 West 20th-st., near 6th-av., in the rear.

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MALES.

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AS FARMER.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS farmer by a competent man, from Dutchess County. Can be seen at No. 15 John-st., between 12 and 3 o'clock.

AS COACHMAN.—WANTED, A SITUATION BY an honest, obliging, and strictly temperate man, as coachman; has City recommendation from his last employer of over four years. Address MARTIN LEE, Box No. 201 *Times* Office.

AS COACHMAN.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS coachman or groom, by a Protestant man, who has ten years City reference from his last place, as to character and capability; is strictly temperate. Call or address J. S., No. 840 Broadway, in the harness store. Can be seen for two days.

AS COACHMAN AND GROOM.—WANTED, a situation, by a single man, as coachman and groom, and is willing to make himself useful; understands the proper care of horses, and is a good driver; good reference given. Address B. H., Box No 207 *Times* Office.

AS WAITER.—A GOOD WAITER MAN WANTS a situation in a private family; is an experienced person, and can be well recommended. Call or address WAITER, No. 400 4th-av., in Mr. Bookham's office, between 28th and 29th sts.

AS WAITER.—A YOUNG MAN WANTS A SITUATION as waiter in a private family; the best of City and country references can be given. Call, for two days, at Corwin's grocery store, No. 900 Broadway.

TO WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRUGGISTS.—Wanted, a situation by a young man who has served his apprenticeship in the retail trade. Address T. R., Box No. 170 *Times* Office.

LAUNDRESSES.

AS LAUNDRESS.—WANTED, BY A VERY respectable girl, a situation as seamstress; understands all kinds of fine family sewing; is a first-rate operator on Grover and Baker's machine; can operate on Wheeler & Wilson's also; would be willing to do chamberwork or wait on ladies; good City reference can be given. Call or address No. 375 1st-av., near 23d-st.

AS WASHER AND IRONER.—A SITUATION wanted by a respectable girl; is a good washer and ironer, and a good cook; good reference; no objections to the country. Can be seen for two days at No. 217 1st-av., between 13th and 14th sts.

WASHING WANTED BY A FIRST-CLASS laundress, at her residence; understands all kinds of fine washing and fluting, or would go out by the day; the best of City reference given. Call at No. 115 West 31st-st., second floor.

WASHING WANTED—BY AN EXPERIENCED LAUNDRESS.—Family washing or gentlemen's. Understands fine washing and fluting; has best of City reference as to character and capability, from families she has worked with for the last eight years. Call or send to No. 128 31st-st., near 2d-av., in the feed store.

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A MAN AND WIFE.—WANTED, A MAN AND wife to go a short distance in the country; the man must be able to take care of a horse, cow and poultry, and be willing to make himself generally useful; the woman to do the washing, ironing and plain cooking for a small family; none but those willing to work, and having good recommendations, need apply at No. 221 West 26th-st., between 8th and 9th avs. Scotch or German preferred.

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A COOK, WASHER AND IRONER.—WANTED, an American or English woman that understands cooking and is a good washer and ironer, in a gentleman's family in the country. Apply at No. 12 Bowery.

A WAITRESS.—WANTED, A WAITRESS AND chambermaid, either English or German, and a Protestant, with good references. Apply at No. 62 West st., between 10 and 12 o'clock.

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BROOKLYN ATHENÆUM—Vocal and Instrumental Concert.
WINTER GARDEN—The Lakes of Killarney.
LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE—Blondette; or, The Naughty Prince and Pretty Peasant.
WALLACK'S—The Invisible Husband.
NIBLO'S GARDEN—Faust and Marguerite.
COOPER INSTITUTE—Father Kemp's Old Folks.
HOPE CHAPEL—Tirrell's California.
BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC—Richelieu.
THEATRE FRANCAIS—(Niblo's Saloon)—Don Cæsar de Bazan.
BARNUM'S MUSEUM—The Drama, Colleen Bawn, this Afternoon and Evening. Driesbach's Performing Bears, Giant Girl, &c., at all hours.
GOUPIL'S GALLERY—Church's Niagara.
BROADWAY MENAGERIE—Complete School of Natural History.
PALACE OF MUSIC HALL—Buckley's Serenaders.
NEW HALL OF ART—No. 652 Broadway—Banvard's Panorama of the Mississippi.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

Secretaries Seward and Chase are once more at their places in the State and Treasury Departments. The President, we learn from Washington, acknowledged the reception of their resignations, and informed them that after due deliberation he had come to the conclusion that their acceptance would be "incompatible with the public welfare." He therefore requested both Mr. Seward and Mr. Chase to resume their respective functions, and they have done so. The Cabinet thus remains precisely as before.

Gen. Burnside has written a letter to Gen. Halleck, giving a full explanation of all the movements of the Army of the Potomac in connection with the battle of Fredericksburgh, and assumed all responsibility for crossing the Rappahannock when he did and where he did. The crossing at the city was determined upon, he says, because he had succeeded in impressing the enemy with the idea that he intended to cross at Port Royal, and had consequently weakened their centre to reinforce their right wing. Had no delay, from fog and other causes, occurred, he is confident that the victory would have been ours. As it was, he says, "we came very near success."

The *National Intelligencer* intimates that Gen. Burnside has really tendered his resignation of the command of the Army of the Potomac, but that the President has not accepted it, and does not intend to do so.

Two squadrons of the Banks Expedition are reported to have passed Key West—one of six steamers, on the 9th inst., and the other of seven steamers, on the 10th—all loaded with troops.

A detachment of Gen. Cluseret's Brigade, which is stationed at Moorfield, Hardy County, Virginia, captured a rebel mail on Dec. 16, at Hardensville. It contained two or three hundred letters and Richmond papers but two days old.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, a communication was received from the Secretary of War, relative to the chartering of steamers for the Banks Expedition. It appears that Gen. Banks was authorized to procure his vessels from Commodore Vanderbilt, but that no official report has yet been received from Gen. Banks in regard to the matter. A letter was also submitted from the owners of the steamer *Thames*, similar in purport to the one published by us yesterday. A resolution, providing for a Select Committee of Inquiry, was adopted. A memorial from the Express Companies, asking for an amendment of the Internal Revenue law, was presented. A resolution was adopted, directing an inquiry into the expediency of abolishing the Marine Corps as a naval organization, and attaching it to the army as the Twentieth Regiment of Infantry. The Secretary of the Navy was called upon for information regarding the appointment of a greater number of Captains and Commanders than are authorized by law. The resolution, inquiring whether any person arrested had been required to take an oath not to sue those arresting them, was passed. A motion to refer Mr. Saulsbury's resolution, relative to sending troops into Delaware on the occasion of the election there, to the Military Committee, was debated until the expiration of the morning hour, when the bill relating to the discharge of State prisoners was taken up. Mr. Lane, of Indiana, Mr. Saulsbury, of Delaware, and others addressed the Senate, which subsequently adjourned, after an Executive session.

In the House, the credentials of Michael Hahn, as representative from the First Congressional District of Louisiana, were referred to the Committee on Elections. A resolution regarding arrears of pay of soldiers was referred to the Military Committee. Mr. Vallandigham offered a resolution which he proposed to debate—and it consequently went over—which pledges the House to such an amendment of the provisions of the Constitution as may be found necessary to secure the rights of the several States and sections within the Union under the Constitution. A protest and remonstrance of thirty-six members of the House, against the bill recently passed to indemnify the President and others for suspending the writ of *habeas corpus*, was laid on the table. Bills proposing a temporary Government for the Territory of Idaho, and to enable Nevada, Colorado and Utah to form State Governments preliminary to their admission into the Union, were referred to the Committee on Territories. A resolution declaring null and void the appointments of Midshipmen during the recess of Congress, was laid over. The President was called upon for information relative to the action of our Minister to Mexico, in signing a protest against the expulsion from Mexico of French subjects. The Committee of Ways and Means was instructed to inquire into the expediency of exempting from tax newspapers not circulating over 2,500 copies. A bill for the emancipation of the slaves of rebels in the States and Territories of the United States was introduced by Mr. Bingham, of Ohio, and referred. A resolution, offered by Mr. May, of Maryland, calling for an order from Secretary Seward charged to have been sent to the prisoners at Fort Warren, forbidding them to employ counsel, was laid on the table, 68 to 48. A joint resolution was passed, declaring it as the opinion of the House that the claims of the soldiers and sailors should have the preference of all other claims on the Treasury. A resolution to extend the privileges of citizenship to aliens serving one year in the Marine Corps or Navy, was referred to the Judiciary Committee. A Select Committee to inquire whether any employé of the Government is interested in banking or contracts was ordered. A resolution to give gold medals to the troops who first crossed at Fredericksburgh, was referred to the Military Committee. It was resolved to adjourn over for the holidays, from Tuesday until the first Monday in January. A motion to discharge the Judiciary Committee from the further consideration of the bill in effect carrying out the President's Emancipation Proclamation, was negatived. A bill appropriating twenty millions to aid Missiouri to emancipate her slaves, was reported and recommitted to the Select Committee on that subject. The Deficiency bill was passed and the House adjourned.

GENERAL NEWS.

Our Havana correspondent gives an interesting account of the arrival there of the new Captain-General of Cuba, Dulce, which event took place on the 9th instant, although he did not make his public entry into the city until the 11th. His predecessor, Gen. Serrano, took his departure a day or two afterward. The addresses delivered on the two occasions are given in our correspondent's letter. Pierre Soule is now a resident of Havana.

The Board of Aldermen met at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A communication was received from Lieut. Dempsey, of the Second Regiment N. Y. S. N. G., who is here on recruiting service, reminding the Common Council that the bounty fund is exhausted, and suggesting that a further appropriation be made to replenish it. The subject was referred to the Committee on National Affairs. The Comptroller reported $2,481,304 94 as the amount of the balance in the City Treasury on last Saturday. The Mayor sent in a message vetoing the ordinance to appropriate $50,000 toward the construction of a new Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum building, which was laid over. The Mayor thinks the amount proposed for the purpose is extravagant for these times. The Board adjourned till 5 o'clock P. M. to-day.

The Board of Councilmen met at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A report from the Special Committee to investigate the claim of Col. Matthew Murphy's Regiment, the Sixty-ninth New-York State National Guard, for $10,000 from the City, in favor of concurring to make the appropriation for that corps, was presented and laid over. The sword-giving mania was cleverly hit off in a resolution by Mr. Keech, which was laid over, authorizing the Street Commissioner to establish a manufactory in the basement of the City Hall for making swords specially for presentation. Some routine business was transacted, and the Board adjourned till 4 o'clock P. M. to-day.

The Committee on Railways of the Board of Councilmen, it is understood, intend to report on all the papers before them, at the meeting this evening. The most important subject is the alleged assumption of privilege by the Sixth-avenue Railroad Company in unauthorizedly extending their tracks.

A meeting of the ministers of the various churches in this City and vicinity, was held in Dr. Cheever's Church last evening. The object of the meeting was to consider the duty of the Church and the ministry in the present state of our country. Edward Gilbert, Esq., presided. Rev. Prof. Mattison opened the meeting with prayer; after which the Chairman made a brief address, in which he stated that a report had been prepared by a Committee of Clergymen appointed at an informal meeting some short time since. Dr. Cheever, Chairman of the Committee, then read a memorial to the President and the United States Congress now in session, begging that they would, in the name of God, Justice and Humanity, immediately enact and execute the decree of universal freedom, as the memoralists believed the whole cause of our disasters to be in our own continued complicity with that crime of human slavery, which is the foundation and the inspiring demon of the rebellion. At the conclusion, the names of the Committee were asked for, and were given, viz.: Rev. Geo. B. Cheever, D. D., Rev. Nathan Brown, Rev. William Goodell. The meeting was then addressed by Rev. Mr. Conway, late Chaplain of Hawkins' Zouaves, Mr. Francis S. Lambert, Prof. Mattison, Dexter A. Hawkins, and others.

An awkward alteration of the corporation checks issued by the Poughkeepsie Common Council is in circulation. The ten cent shinplasters have been partially altered to fifty cents by changing the figures. The words "ten cents" on the body of the checks remain unaltered.

The rotten transport *Niagara*, of Banks' Expedition, is regarded as a genuine curiosity in Philadelphia. Visitors inspect her in crowds and take away pieces of her rotten timbers as relics. The five companies of the Fifteenth Massachusetts which were on board of her, have been assigned quarters on shore, where they will await the arrival of another transport to convey them to their destination.

The *Oil City Register*, in its review of the oil trade for last week, says: "The oil market has been quiet since our last report, with limited transactions. The market is fast recovering from the depression caused by the late disaster, and is again assuming its wonted buoyancy. Prices have not materially changed since last week. Sales have been made at the wells during the past and present week at $5@$6 ℔ bbl., which we give as the ruling rates. Some sales have been made at lower figures, but the cause of this was a scarcity of packages, or it was an inferior article of oil. So great has been the scarcity of barrels, that several refineries have been compelled to partially suspend operations. The Alleghany is now in good boating order, and by the end of this week, the balance of the oil left from the disaster will be on its way to Pittsburgh. Beyond the daily production, there is but a small quantity in tanks upon the Creek. Considerable mining is going on, but we have heard of no new wells being struck. Many of the pumping wells will soon be in operation. Our market closes active and firm."

The trial of Geo. Wilkes, editor of *Wilkes' Spirit of the Times*, for libel upon John Lawrance in calling him a "notorious English pickpocket" and "thief," and a keeperof a "low, cheating gaming-house," was continued in the Court of Sessions yesterday, and concluded by a verdict of "not guilty"—the jury only being absent about five minutes.

The Stock Market was firm on the Share list yesterday throughout the day. In the morning there was a panic feeling in Treasury Bonds and Certificates, but this was recovered from at the close of the day. Gold 132⅞@132¼; Exchange 145½: Money 6 ℔ cent.

All branches of business were very dull, yesterday. Breadstuffs were generally a shade cheaper, and in limited request. Provisions were less active; Pork declined, and Lard advanced slightly. Groceries, Cotton and Whisky were inactive, as were also oils, Metals, Fish, Wool and Naval Stores. Hay and Hops were salable and steady. Limited freight engagements were reported.

The cattle yards were filled with 4,000 beeves yesterday, some very fine, others fair, and a good many poor. Prime bullocks sold as well as one week ago, or 10c.@11c. for premium animals, 9c. for good cattle, and 6c.@7½c. for poor. The market was lively in the morning, but with fresh arrivals and the supplied wants of butchers, trade grew dull and sellers were anxious to close out their droves, the more so as some 600 additional cattle were reported on the way, and likely to arrive in season for to-day's sales.

Military Calumnies—Gens. Sigel and McDowell.—In the heat and hurry of current events, probably many of our readers have already forgotten the startling reports which reached us by telegraph of the extraordinary behavior of Gen. McDowell, as attested by Gen. Sigel, on the battle-field of Manassas, in the Pope campaign. It was asserted that Gen. Sigel had detected McDowell waving his handkerchief as a treasonable signal to the enemy—that he marched his men up to be surrendered—that Gen. Sigel rode up and indignantly demanded explanations of his conduct, and that, failing to receive them, he shot the detected traitor on the spot. The next day it was ascertained that McDowell was not dead, and that Sigel's bullet glanced from his sabre. But confirmations of the main part of the story continued to come in, and probably thousands and tens of thousands of our people settled down into a calm conviction of its truth.

Gen. Sigel gave his testimony as to the conduct of Gen. McDowell, under oath, before the Court of Inquiry at Washington on Friday last, and it was published in yesterday's Times. He makes not the slightest mention of a single one of the extraordinary incidents alleged to have passed under his immediate notice. He did not kill Gen. McDowell—he did not shoot at him—he did not charge him with treachery—he did not see him wave his handkerchief as a signal—he did not "observe *any* act or any movement indicative of a treacherous intent or purpose." Nor had he any knowledge of any such acts or purposes on his part. The whole story, then, was a deliberate fiction—one of those pleasant inventions by which military gentlemen seek to establish their own reputation at the expense of others, and which, through the kind offices of obliging gentlemen of the Press, they are enabled to impose upon the country and the world as *history*.

Gen. Sigel must permit us to ask him why he has allowed this most shameless and infamous slander to circulate on his authority so long. Why has he given countenance to it for months by his silence, when five lines from his pen would have put it to rest forever? He states in his testimony that he had been put under command of Gen. McDowell on the field,—a most extraordinary proceeding certainly, for which there must have been some extraordinary reason. What that reason was Gen. Sigel does not explain, but we shall probably ascertain when Gen. Pope comes to be examined, or when his orders are published; and we are not greatly surprised to find Gen. Sigel disapproving of Gen. McDowell's movements on the field after he had thus been put over his head. All this is natural enough. But we can scarcely conceive that such a motive as this should have led an officer like Gen. Sigel to permit so atrocious a calumny as that referred to against McDowell to circulate so long under his protection, and apparently resting on his authority.

The Cabinet Crisis.

The latest advices from Washington import that the "ministerial crisis," as it is styled, has passed, and that the members of the old Cabinet are all back in their places. We are not sure whether this is the best result that could have been attained, under the circumstances, or not. We are inclined to believe that the confidence of the country in the Administration would have been increased by the infusion of new blood into the Cabinet. But we have no hesitation in saying that this result is infinitely better than would have been the ejection of Mr. Seward from the Cabinet, through the action taken by the Senate caucus.

That action was not only "irregular," as the *Evening Post* styles it, but was directly at war with the independence of the Executive and the stability of the Government. The *Post* may find it convenient just now to assert the right of a caucus of party Senators to overrule the President, by a majority vote, and compel him to change his Cabinet in whole or in part. But is it prepared to vindicate such action on principle, and adopt it as a rule in the permanent conduct of public affairs? It urges that in this way alone can we assimilate the working of our political machinery to that of the English Government. There the Ministry changes whenever the House of Commons declares a lack of confidence in it. But is a party caucus of the Senate in any sense equivalent to the House of Commons? And is it not perfectly clear that our Constitution did not intend to assimilate our Government to that of England in this respect? Party caucuses have already quite power enough in the political affairs of this country. We would much rather see it diminished than enlarged. And we should deem it a sad day for the country when a party caucus of either House of Congress could dictate to the President, in this or any other matter confided by the Constitution to his exclusive jurisdiction.

In the present instance the action of a portion of the Republican Senators was open to other objections of a very serious nature. The caucus was called, not to urge a reconstruction of the Cabinet, but to secure the expulsion of Mr. Seward. It was not called in the usual way nor by the usual Committee, but was summoned on the instant by the men who had previously consulted and combined on its object, and were prepared to force it through. Nor did they institute any inquiry into the truth or falsehood of the current rumors by which Mr. Seward had been assailed and upon which they professed to base their desire for his removal. They *assumed* the truth of everything which they wished to believe. They opposed strenuously any postponement of action which should give opportunity for inquiry. And even when specific information had to some extent been obtained, and the most explicit denials of the most serious of their charges had been made, this did not change in the slightest degree their purpose or their action. The ejection of Mr. Seward was a "foregone conclusion." That was the specific object of the whole movement, and to that everything else was made to bend.

We repeat our conviction that the success of such an effort would have been a public calamity. Whatever may have been the motives of individual Senators, it would have been regarded by the country as a factious movement,—as aiming rather at a personal triumph or the victory of opinion on minor points, than at the consolidation of the North in hostility to the rebellion. It must not be forgotten that the substantial union of the great mass of the loyal people of the country, has been our strength thus far in the prosecution of the war. We have had, to a most remarkable extent, all things considered, the concurrence and aid of the great body of the Democratic Party in the terrible contest we have been called to wage. ***And we need it still.*** Yet no considerate man can doubt that the success of the caucus movement, in all its length and breadth, would have turned the tide of public sentiment, and deprived the Government of aid essential to its success. These considerations may escape the attention of heated partisans, but no man who appreciates the crisis aright can fail to give them weight.

We trust this explosion will have one good effect at all events. It must impress the Government with the conviction that the Senate and the country demand a vigorous prosecution of the war. It should incite the Administration to renewed and still more resolute efforts for the suppression of the rebellion. If it has this result, it will not have occurred in vain.

Impatience and Injustice.

"Who it is, I can't say; all I can say is, *somebody* ought to be wopped for this." A very natural feeling, that of Sam. Weller, when things go wrong. Were the feeling, as in his case, confined to the indefinite *somebody*, there, perhaps, would be no great harm in it—though it is notorious that things often do go wrong when *nobody* is really in fault, inasmuch as all human affairs are more or less at the mercy of fortune. But the great mischief is that men in this humor are apt to hit out incontinently against any one who happens to be in their way, and, in their blind choler, are as apt to "wop" the innocent as the guilty. Matters are only made worse by this folly, and yet it is common enough.

The Fredericksburgh business turned out badly. The result was, a terrible cross to our highest hopes happened at a time when apparently we could least afford it, and excited universal chagrin. A feeling quickly arose that somebody was egregiously to blame, and ought to be punished. This was natural, but yet it put itself in the wrong the moment it undertook to strike out. It first fell foul of the President and General Halleck, for having peremptorily ordered Burnside to cross the river and storm the heights. A little investigation has shown that Burnside received no such orders, and acted entirely on his own discretion. This was hardly settled before a dead set was made upon Secretary Seward from the Senate chamber. He was denounced as an enemy of the Emancipation Proclamation, and was held guilty of having sent the Banks Expedition on its wild-goose chase to the Gulf of Mexico. On this score, the most extraordinary attempt ever heard of was made to trip up his heels; but it quickly appeared that the Secretary has been a firm friend to the Proclamation from the day of its appearance—though it is impossible to see how that bears upon the Fredericksburgh misadventure—and also that he had no more to do with originating or managing the Banks Expedition than had the Khan of Tartary. The simple truth is, that all of the energies of Secretary Seward—great as they are—are and have been completely engrossed in the business of his own department, the duties of which are not surpassed by those of any others, either in gravity or in difficulty. While his general influence has uniformly been given for the vigorous prosecution of the war, he has just as uniformly abstained from all interference, whether direct or indirect, with its practical management. The raid from the Senate Chamber could not possibly have taken a wilder direction than into the Department of State.

Now we are far from saying that somebody is not greatly in fault for the late reverse. It may be so. But it may also be that it is one of those vicissitudes beyond human foresight or control, from which no war ever waged, even though by the greatest commanders of the race, are entirely exempt. The military historian, Napier, in the very last paragraph of his *Peninsular War*, after summing up the splending endowments and no less splendid achievements of Napoleon and Wellington, is yet obliged to close with this reflection: "Fortune, however, always asserts her supremacy in war, and often from a very slight mistake such disastrous consequences flow, that in every age and every nation the uncertainty of arms has been proverbial." This is the hard truth, and should always chasten our too eager hopes. Still, if it can be shown that the recent misfortune is fairly chargeable to any sort of inefficiency, either in the Cabinet or in the field, let it be so shown, on rational evidence—so that justice may strike unerringly. A hasty, impulsive laying about to the right and the left, without any clear discernment, may cool passion, perhaps, but can serve no other rational purpose. Our own firm belief is, that it is important there should be changes in the Cabinet. But we are even more concerned that the public spirit should maintain its constancy and firmness. It is from that alone that any Administration can derive its vital force, its living stimulus. When that goes, all goes. Change the pilots, if need be. By all means change them, if you can find stronger and truer. But whether they are changed or not, the universal cry should be: *Don't give up the ship!*

This hope deferred is hard. Of course it is hard. It is a very sore trial. But after all what are our trials to those experienced by our rebel enemies? And if they are patient, why should we be so restless? It has always been supposed that patience was anything but natural to their Southern temperament. And yet they have schooled themselves into it in a situation vastly more trying than ours. While we are surrounded with abundance, they are in personal want of many of the necessaries of life. They do not dress themselves in the morning, but that they feel it in their mean attire. They do not sit at a meal, but that they see it in their hard fare. They do not stand by the bed of the sick or wounded, but that they hear it. The effects of this war come home to them in a commerce annihilated, staples rotting, currency ruined, credit extinguished, property unsalable, mail intercourse broken up, education arrested—in the enforced absence of fathers and sons from nearly every household—in the daily apprehension of invasion from the sea, in the mighty dread of servile insurrection—in the falsified promise that their flag should float over the dome of the Capitol—in the loss of three powerful States upon which they had relied with certainty—in the capture of their great commercial metropolis, and nearly all of the grand river which was to be their chief artery of trade; in the defiant intrenchments of armies in every State, without an exception, they still call their own; in the vain solicitations and abortive efforts of their emissaries for European help; in their blasted expectations of a divided and demoralized North. The rebels, notwithstanding all their trials and disappointments, have been patient. They have submitted with hardly a murmur to the management of their leaders—have not clamored for intelligence, nor dictated plans, nor indulged in reproaches, nor maundered over mishaps. They have exhibited remarkable trust and constancy. If they with their unrighteous ends, have brought themselves to this equality of temper, we certainly should do it in the interest of the noblest cause the world ever knew, even if our trials were equal to theirs. Infinitely more, when those trials are so small in comparison. Let it never be said that loyal men have less power of self-control than these roistering renegades.

A Good Example.

It is refreshing in these days of shirking and sneaking to find a man willing to take the full responsibility of his acts, and especially of his failures. Gen. Burnside's letter to Gen. Halleck is a model of manliness and true courage. While the popular heart is swelling with grief and indignation over the repulse at Fredericksburgh,—while a howl of wrath goes up from every quarter against the officials at Washington for having forced Gen. Burnside to make this attack against his judgment and in spite of his protest, and while, one after another, his subordinate commanders seek to clear their skirts of all responsibility, the General himself calmly informs the country that he alone is responsible for the failure,—that the Government, through every Department, gave him to the full its confidence and support,—that the "extreme gallantry, courage and endurance shown by his troops were never exceeded," and that he is largely indebted to the Division Commanders and to all his officers for their support and hearty coöperation.

We wish Gen. Burnside's example might not be lost upon the army, Congress and the country. If it were generally imitated, we should have less of wrangling,—less of that selfish crimination which bewilders and disgusts the people, and which does so much to paralyze the Government in its contest with the rebellion. Such disasters as that of Fredericksburgh touch the keenest sensibilities of the public heart, and it is perfectly natural that men thus excited and aroused should seek to make somebody responsible for them. Nor is it strange that suspicion should first fall upon those who have incurred dislike. So much has been said of the interference of the Government with Generals in the field, that the first impulse of the public was to cast the responsibility of this failure upon the Administration. Some held the President responsible, others the Secretary of War, still others Gen. Halleck, while it was reserved for a dozen Senators, with Mr. Grimes at their head, to discover that on Mr. Seward's head rested the guilt of this fearful slaughter.

Thanks to the manly and straightforward courage of Gen. Burnside, all this fog—thicker and more fatal than that which hung over his brave legions as they climbed the hills to the death which crowned them,—has been dispersed. The country is not left to await the slow progress of Courts of Inquiry to ascertain the truth. He seeks no shelter behind military etiquette, and scorns to let others suffer blame for acts which belong to him alone. The nation will honor his frank trust in its justice, and will pardon his failure for the courage and truthfulness which redeems it.

Gen. Burnside's explanation of the attack, and of the reason of its failure, is precisely that given yesterday morning in our correspondence from Washington. His original purpose was to cross below Fredericksburgh, making a feint in front of that town. The enemy anticipated his movement and prepared to meet it. Perceiving this, Gen. Burnside believed that the real point for a surprise was at Fredericksburgh, and that by throwing his army rapidly over at that place, he could divide the forces of the enemy and inflict upon him a signal and decisive defeat. The fog and other unforeseen obstacles so delayed the movement as to prevent its success. But neither the army nor its General is discouraged or broken in spirit. Nor is there any reason why the country should be. Indeed, it is easy to see that what weighs upon the public heart is not this single disaster, but the fact that it seems to be only one of a series of kindred calamities. The country, depressed and dismayed by failures, was longing for a victory, and had looked to Burnside at Fredericksburgh as to a forlorn hope. His failure, unlooked for as it was, came upon the public like the last blow of the wave which shivers the battered and shaken ship into fragments on the wild surfase of the angry sea. The country must resume its hopefulness and its confidence. It must imitate the moral courage of Burnside, and be willing, as he is, to look failure in the face without dismay.

But there is one thing that remains to be accounted for: Whence came that cloud of lies which overhung the country and filled the land with cursing and bitterness? Who invented the falsehood that Burnside protested against fighting this battle, and refused, until peremptorily ordered to fight from Washington? Who invented the lie that Burnside was solemnly promised pontoons, and that Gen. Halleck "forgot to give the order?" These and the kindred falsehoods that were instantly let loose, and spread with inconceivable rapidity throughout the land, were not accidents; they were not mistakes; they did not spring up through misapprehension. They were distinct and deliberate lies,—forged somewhere, and by somebody, for a purpose. The men who invented and spread them did so with a motive. They sought either the gratification of personal revenge, or the achievement of a political purpose—possibly both. Under cover of screening Gen. Burnside, they hoped to stab Gen. Halleck, or to strike still higher, and paralyze the Government at its very head. Thanks to the simple-hearted nobility of the gallant soldier who scorned the base friendship they proffered, their scheme has failed. But there ought to be some mode of reaching men base enough thus to sacrifice the country to their selfish and unprincipled designs.

OPERATIONS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Details of Gen. Foster's Movements.

GALLANTRY OF THE NINTH NEW-JERSEY.

Officers to be Promoted for Their Bravery.

ACCOUNTS FROM REBEL SOURCES.

Newbern, N. C., Tuesday, Dec. 16—3 o'clock P.M.

On the 11th instant, Major-Gen. Foster left Newbern with an adequate and well appointed force, and proceeded toward Goldsboro.

An inconsiderable skirmish occurred at Trenton, at noon, on Friday, in which Capt. Moshell's company of the Third New-York Cavalry, charged upon and put to flight a body of rebel cavalry and two companies of infantry.

The advance shortly afterward reached Southwest Creek, the bridge over which had been destroyed by the rebels.

At 11 o'clock on the following morning the Ninth New-Jersey Volunteers made a detour through the woods, crossing Southwest Creek at a point above, and seized the rebel battery stationed in the middle of the road, on the opposite side of the stream, consisting of eleven guns. Capt. Chesseby, of Company A, was the first to reach the rebel guns. At about dusk the rebels advanced, some 2,000 strong, and made another stand, four miles this side of Kinston.

The Ninth New-Jersey Volunteers, with Morrison's Battery, were sent forward to feel their position, when a brisk engagement ensued, lasting for some thirty minutes. The rebels again fell back. Our men then bivouacked for the night on the battle-field.

On Sunday morning, the 14th inst., the main body of the National forces reached the scene of conflict.

At 9 o'clock, our advance, the Ninth New-Jersey Volunteers, with Morrison's Battery, moved briskly forward about a mile further, when a general engagement with the rebels, 7,000 strong, commenced, continuing from 10½ A. M. until 2 P.M., when the rebels, who were heavily pressed, retreated over the long bridge across the Neuse River, and our army victoriously entered Kinston.

Our loss in killed, wounded and missing, will probably not exceed 150.

Among the killed is Col. Gray, of the Ninety-sixth New-York Volunteers, who fell at the head of his regiment while bravely and splendidly leading it to a successful charge.

Capt. Wells and Lieut. Perkins, of the Tenth Connecticut Volunteers, also fell, mortally wounded, in the very flush of victory. Their loss is deeply felt.

The loss of the rebels is not definitely ascertained.

We took upward of 500 prisoners, among whom are two Colonels and several other officers.

Col. Heckman, of the Ninth New-Jersey Volunteers, and Col. Hunt, of the Twelfth New-York Volunteers, are to be promoted to Brigadier-Generalships for their distinguished gallantry and bravery.

The strategy of Maj.-Gen. Foster in the conduct of the expedition was most masterly and thoroughly successful, stamping him as a brilliant and able soldier.

Our troops fought well, without exception. They are greatly elated at their victory, and clamor loudly to be led on to Raleigh.

On Monday morning, the 15th inst., at 8 o'clock, our army again took up its line of march forward.

The Ninth New-Jersey Volunteers and the Tenth Connecticut Volunteers sustained a heavier loss than all the rest of the regiments put together, and deserve more than an especial notice for their valor, determination, and good discipline.

Admiral Lee, commanding the North Atlantic Blockading Squadron, has issued an order reprobating in severe terms the practice of granting permits to vessels entering at Beaufort to trade in the inland waters of North Carolina, which he regards as a blockaded region.

REBEL ACCOUNTS.

The Richmond *Dispatch* of the 17th inst. says:

"On Monday Gen. Evans fell back across the Neuse River and burnt the bridge. He retreated seven miles before the overwhelming force of the enemy. The Yankees have possession of the Clinton road on the south side of the river, whilst our troops occupy the north side. Every mile of the advance of the enemy was strongly contested. Gen. Evans will wait for reinforcements, and will then probably drive the invaders back to Newbern."

Goldsboro, N. C., Monday, Dec. 15.

The report of artillery has been heard in the direction of the lines since the last dispatch.

Recent North Carolina papers are full of complaints about an order emanating from the rebel Major-Gen. French, directing the burning of all the cotton in the counties bordering on the Roanoke River, which is not moved west of the Wilmington and Weldon railroad by the 15th inst.

The Richmond *Examiner*, of the 12th instant, states that the smallpox now prevails there as an epidemic.

The Richmond *Dispatch*, says:

"At Fredericksburgh, yesterday, a sorry spectacle was presented. Several flat cars laden with wounded soldiers, were there waiting for ambulances. They were wet through, and hardly looked like human beings. This is shameful. Who is responsible for this state of things?"

The *Dispatch* also says:

"At the 'Summit,' to-day, ranged side by side with our wounded, were the Yankee wounded, receiving the same care and enjoying like kind treatment with our own unfortunate defenders."

The *Dispatch* also gives an account of the funeral of Major-Gen. Gregg, of South Carolina, "who fell in the conflict at Fredericksburgh."

The Artists' Fund Society Sale To-night.—The pictures contributed to the Artists' Fund Society of this City, by its members, will be sold at auction for the benefit of the fund this evening, at the Art Gallery, in Broadway. A list of the paintings, between sixty and seventy in number, will be found in our advertising columns. It will be seen that it embraces some works of great merit, and as there has been ample time to examine them during their exhibition, the public have doubtless formed an intelligent judgment of their value. Among them are landscapes, life scenes and fruit-pieces, and a few—we are sorry to say, *only* a few—pictures relating to the scenes and events of the present great time—a time whose events and scenes will be memorable forever. There is "Bull Neck Mountain, Md," by Sontag; "Incident at the Battle of Newbern, N. C." by Carter, and "The Contraband," by Vincent Collyer, who, though best known to the public from his practical work among North Carolina contrabands, is equally worthy of honor for his fine art studies among the same unfortunate class. Beside the names mentioned, there are pictures by Bierstadt, Leutze, Mrs. Greatorex, Kensett, Gignoux, Boughton, and other equally distinguished artists. All the pictures to be sold are, as usual, the gift of those who executed them to the fund of the Society, which does such excellent work for the sick and unfortunate artists of the City, and for the widows and children of the members who may be left destitute. Considering that every painting is a work of beneficence as well as of art, we trust that the prices they will command will be the expression of the appreciation of both sentiments by the purchasers.

Volunteer Diplomacy—A Note from W. Cornell Jewett.

FIFTH AVENUE HOTEL, NEW-YORK, }
Sunday, Dec. 21, 1862. }

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

My attention has been directed to your editorial comment upon my independent national trip to Europe, with a view to a restoration of the Union in all its original purity, upon either a Convention or through the mutual *friendly* aid of European Powers, who have a voice in the American question, at least from an interest in the disposition of the slave, as connected with humanity. You refer to me nationally and socially. Nationally, you have a right to criticise me and deem me weak in judgment, impracticable, or without authority as a citizen of the United States to act. Socially, you have not, to which I protest, and in reply I state you are mistaken. My family rank among the leading men of the country, who have for the last century filled the most important and responsible trusts, while I hold myself, individually, second to none in the right to the confidence of all men. If I approach leading men it is through the proper channels, for I can command introductions to the leading men here or in Europe, and through which I gained a position in Europe enabling me to become instrumental in the friendly inauguration move of NAPOLEON. In further replying to your statement that I had no other object in Europe, I direct your attention to the Liverpool *Post*, of Dec. [illegible], containing my address to the Queen of England, urging the coöperation of England in the move of France; stating that I had succeeded in the basis of a combination of European capital for a matter connected with the interest of the country.

Returning to advocate this mediation move of the Emperor and to further my business, I but ask the courtesy and justice of your publication of this—with such part of my address to the American people published in the Portland *Journal*, and which contains my address to Europe, letter to the Emperor and farewell to Europe, not published here. That you may deem due to the position of the Emperor of France, and my own, for I deny that I have been instrumental in this move to serve the interests of the South; but solely to aid in the preservation of the Union; adding, in justice to Europe, neither of the foreign Powers have intended or do recognise the South, or interfere with either the North or South, through force. I further state, in justice to England and Mr. SEWARD, I have wronged them both in my heretofore published belief of their hostility to our Union in connection with the overthrow of Slavery.

WM. CORNELL JEWETT, "Colorado."

We publish the above, because Mr. JEWETT asks us to do so as an act of justice. We do not see that it touches a single point of the article to which it professes to reply. We have said nothing of Mr. JEWETT's "social position,"—and all we have said of his political standing and influence was that he had none.

As to his motives for opening diplomatic intercourse with all creation, we do not doubt they are what he alleges. But what business has he to be meddling with matters which belong exclusively to the Government? He has no right to speak for either the Government or the people. Neither recognize him as their representative, or as entitled or authorized to express their sentiments and wishes. Whenever we wish foreign nations to interfere in our affairs, they will probably hear of it through our Government. Until then they will probably be wise enough not to act on the application of Mr. JEWETT.

The New City Hall at Boston.

BOSTON, Monday, Dec. 22.

The corner stone of the new City Hall was laid to-day. Mayor WIGHTMAN delivered an address, after which the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts conducted the ceremonies in conformity with ancient Masonic usage.

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BIGELOW—TODD.—On Thursday, Dec. 18, in Pittsfield, Mass., by Rev. John Todd, D. D., ALBERT M. BIGELOW, of New-York, to LUCY B. TODD, of Pittsfield. No cards.

NOLL—BEARD.—In Norwalk, Conn., on Thursday, Dec. 18, by Rev. Joseph Anderson, JAMES NOLL, Jr., of Detroit, Mich., and ISABELLA F., daughter of A. E. Beard, Esq., of South Norwalk. No cards.

SUTTON—RICHARDSON.—On Monday, Dec. 22, by Rev. Alexander H. Vinton, WILLIAM A. SUTTON to KATE FERRIS, daughter of the late John W. Richardson, all of this City. No cards.

DIED.

ALLEN.—On Monday, Dec. 22, Mrs. HARRIET H. ALLEN, widow of the late Capt. James Allen, of Bridgeport, Conn., in the 73d year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, on Wednesday, the 24th, at 9½ o'clock A. M., from the residence of her son, James C. Allen, No. 135 Livingston-st., Brooklyn. Her remains will be interred at Bridgeport, Conn.

BOYER.—On Monday, Dec. 22, after a lingering and painful illness, JANE M., wife of William Boyer, in the 57th year of her age.

The friends and relatives of the family, the members of Warren Lodge, I. O. of O. F., and all other members of the Order, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services, which will be held at the Baptist Church in 6th-st., between Avenues B and C, on Wednesday, the 24th inst. Her remains will be taken to Cypress Hills for interment.

BULL.—At Falmouth, Va., on Friday, Dec. 12, from wounds received at the battle of Fredericksburgh, Va., Col. JAMES H. BULL, of the Sixty-sixth Regiment N. Y. Vols., in the 48th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully requested to attend the funeral, at his late residence, No. 203 West 50th-st., on Wednesday next, at 1 o'clock P. M.

COFFROTH.—In this City, on Sunday, Dec. 21, Sergeant CHARLES D. B. COFFROTH, of Sixth Regiment N. Y. S. V., (Col. Wilson,) of hypertrophy of the heart, aged 30 years.

The funeral will take place this day, (Tuesday,) at 10 A. M., from his late residence, No. 302 Pearl-st. His friends, members of the New-York Typographical Union No. 6, are respectfully invited to attend. His remains will be interred in Greenwood Cemetery.

DENTON.—On Saturday, Dec. 20, at Oyster Bay, L. I., SARAH JANE, wife of James Denton, aged 23 years.

DUNCAN.—In North Argyle, Washington County, N. Y., on Wednesday, Dec. 10, WILLIAM DUNCAN, in the 80th year of his age.

DAME.—On First day morning, 12th month, 21st, WILLIAM B., son of Moses and Amy Ann Dame, in the 18th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, on Third day, 23d inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., from the residence of his father, southwest corner of 4th-av. and 31st-st.

DAYTON.—In this City, on Sunday, Dec. 21, HATTIE, daughter of David and Martha Dayton, aged 2 years, 4 months and 27 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from No. 124 East 40th-st., on Tuesday morning, the 23d inst., at 9 o'clock. The remains will be conveyed to North Castle by the 10½ o'clock train, for interment.

Farewell, little Hattie, thy troubles are o'er,
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FLOYD-JONES.—At South Oyster Bay, L. I., on Saturday, Dec. 20, Gen. HENRY FLOYD-JONES, aged 71 years.

The funeral will take place from his late residence, on Tuesday, the 23d inst., at 1 o'clock. His friends, and those of the family, are requested to attend, without further invitation. Carriages will be in readiness at Farmingdale on arrival from New-York of the 9 o'clock train of cars by Long Island Railroad.

HILL.—In Brooklyn, on Monday, Dec. 22, at his residence, No. 404 Pacific-st., ROBERT HILL, aged 66 years and 3 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from St. Peter's Episcopal Church, State-st., near Bond, on Wednesday, the 24th inst., at 2½ P. M., without further invitation.

LYNCH.—On Friday, Dec. 19, ANASTASIA A. LYNCH, daughter of the late Henry Lynch, of this City.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, this day, at 1 o'clock, at Trinity Church.

LONGETT.—On Monday, Dec. 22, after a long and severe illness, ANTOINE LONGETT, aged 42 years, 1 month and 6 days.

The friends of the family, and members of Acacia Lodge, No. 327 F. A. M., are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from his late residence, No. 98 East 33d-st., on Wednesday morning, the 24th inst., at 11 o'clock.

PHILLIPS.—On Monday, Dec. 22, after a short illness, MARGARET, wife of Jonas Phillips, aged 32 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 22 West 19th-st., on Wednesday, the 24th inst., at 10 o'clock A. M.

ROACH.—In Suffolk, Va., on Saturday, Dec. 13, HENRY D. ROACH, son of the late William Roach, of Far Rockaway, L. I.

His remains will be interred in lot No. 5,735 Greenwood Cemetery, on Wednesday, the 24th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M.

SEELY.—In Norwalk, on Sunday evening, Dec. 21, of consumption, LAVINIA, wife of Oliver H. Seely, in the 33d year of her age.

SEGUINE.—On Friday, Dec. 19, CORNELIA SEGUINE, widow of the late James Seguine, aged 74 years and 6 months.

The funeral will take place from the residence of her son-in-law, R. W. S. Bonsall, No. 7 Charlton-st., on Wednesday, Dec. 24, at 1 o'clock P. M. The friends of the family, and those of her son, C. Seguine, are invited to attend, without further invitation.

THIELEMANN.—On Saturday evening, Dec. 20, suddenly, of enlargement of the heart, JOHN F. C. THIELEMANN, in the 60th year of his age.

The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from St. Paul's Church, New-York City, on Tuesday, Dec. 23, at 1 o'clock, without further notice.

VAN ZANDT.—On Sunday morning, Dec. 21, SADA W., daughter of W. W. Van Zandt, of Lockport, N. Y., in the 20th year of her age.

The funeral will take place from the residence of her brother, C. L. Van Zandt, No. 233 West 16th-st., on Tuesday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Her remains will be taken to the Marble Cemetery in 2d-st.

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WALTERS.—In London, on Thursday morning, Nov. 13, after a brief illness, ELLEN, the beloved wife of Wm. T. Walters, Esq., of Baltimore, Md.

WILSON.—On Monday evening, Dec. 22, MARY MILLS, infant daughter of John and Phebe A. Wilson.

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3,000 NEW BALMORALS
at $1, 50, $2, $2 50, $2 75 and $3.
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Point lace Sets,	Medallion Collars,
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Of the most approved style, at low rates.

PARIS KID GLOVES, 75 CENTS, NICE colors; plain black, 85 cents; fancy backs, 88 cents. Also, a large assortment of Fall and Winter gloves, hosiery, undergarments, leggings, sontags and ladies' drawers, all sizes. N. B.—Ladies' fine merino vests, 75 cents; zephyr worsted, only 15 cents per ounce; Saxony yarns, all colors. Alexander's Gloves, at ELGER'S, Nos. 880 and 882 Broadway, near 19th-st.

INDIA-RUBBER GLOVES CURE CHAPPED hands, salt rheum, &c., and render them soft, smooth and snowy white; are impervious to hot or cold water, and are an excellent protection in all kinds of housework. For sale by the trade generally.
GOODYEAR'S India-rubber Glove Manufacturing Co.,
No. 205 Broadway,
Dealers in all kinds of Rubber Goods,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

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AT LEGRAIN'S,

PLAIN LIGHT COLORED SILKS, FOR EVENING DRESSES,
At $1, WORTH $1 75.

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RICH SILK DRESS LENGTHS, FOR PRESENTS at Half Price.

OTTOMAN VELOUR, 1 Yard Wide,
At 48 cents per yard, WORTH 90 cents.

DRESS LENGTHS FOR PRESENTS, at $2 38 and over.

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POINT DE VENISE and VALLENCIENNES HDKFS.,
Quite new, and at VERY LOW PRICES.

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LEGRAIN, No. 729 Broadway,
Corner of Waverly-place, near New-York Hotel.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.
ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO.
Will offer on
MONDAY, Dec. 22,
Two thousand cheap Dresses, suitable for
HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

These goods have been cut up in dress lengths, marked in plain figures, and put on a separate counter, for the convenience of customers.

ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO.,
Canal-st., corner of Mercer.

CLOAKS,
AT REDUCED PRICES.
ARNOLD, CONSTABLE & CO.
Will offer for the balance
Of the season, their large and
Varied Stock of
CLOAKS,
At greatly reduced prices.
Canal-st., corner of Mercer.

CHEAP SILKS AND DRESS GOODS
FOR THE
HOLIDAYS.

3,000 Yards MEDIUM and LIGHT COLORED SILKS suitable for evening or street dresses, at 75 cents per yard.

8,000 Yards RICH and HEAVY SILKS at 7s., 8s., 9s., 10s., 11s. and 12s. per yard.

4,000 Yards RICH BLACK GROS DE RHINE and BLACK FIGURED SILKS at very low prices.

ALSO
TEN CASES NEW DRESS GOODS.

3 cases Plaid Alpaca, pretty styles, only 20 cents per yard, worth 37½ cents.

3 cases Manchester and Pacific De Laines, in new and beautiful styles.

4 cases best make of Calicos, at less than wholesale prices.

Also,
French Merinos, Ottoman and Empress Cloths, Paramettas, Poplins, De Beges, and a full assortment of Domestic Goods for family use, which will be offered at very low prices for cash.

CHAS. HEARD & CO., No. 301 Grand-st.

CLOAKS! CLOAKS! CLOAKS!

During the past week we have manufactured a MAGNIFICENT STOCK OF CLOAKS, OF THE LATEST STYLES IMPORTED, Many of them superbly adorned with PARIS ORNAMENTS, and intended expressly for the HOLIDAY SEASON.

ALSO,
the largest assortment of medium-priced
CLOAKS IN THE CITY.
BEAVER CLOTH CLOAKS, at $6 and $7.
PLUSH CLOAKS, at $6 50 to $9.
FRENCH VELVET PLUSH CLOAKS, at $8 to $10.
SUPERFINE BEAVER CLOAKS, at $10 to $12.
W. K. PEYTON,
No. 274 BOWERY.

DRESS GOODS AND SHAWLS
FOR PRESENTS.
LE BOUTILLER BROTHERS
have still a
GREAT VARIETY OF
OTTOMAN, REPS, MERINOS, PLAIDS, DE LAINES AND CALICOS, AT THE VERY LOWEST PRICES.
Also, BROCHE SHAWLS, STRIPE SHAWLS, BLANKET SHAWLS, and SCARFS of all kinds.
No. 423 Broadway and No. 305 Canal-st.

HOLIDAY REDUCTION!

In accordance with our usual custom at this season, and in order to facilitate sales, our

ENTIRE STOCK IS REDUCED!
And will be offered at
RETAIL, DURING THE HOLIDAYS,
AT PRICES MUCH BELOW COST.
LORD & TAYLOR,
Nos. 461 to 467 Broadway.
Nos. 255 to 261 Grand-st.
Nos. 47 and 49 Catharine-st.

LADIES' AND CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.

Ladies', Childrens' and Infant's garments of every kind,
REDUCED DURING THE HOLIDAYS!
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EMBROIDERED COLLARS AND SETS,
LACE COLLARS AND SETS,
EMBRROIDERED HANDKERCHIEFS,
LACE HANDKERCHIEFS,
HEMSTITCHED HANDKERCHIEFS,
JUST THE THING FOR PRESENTS, AND AT OLD PRICES.
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GROCERIES & PROVISIONS.

TO FAMILIES AND GROCERS.
THE BEST SOAP IN USE.
E. MORGAN'S SONS'

PEARL

MOTTLED SOAP.

This Soap is, without doubt, the best and cheapest in use. It is manufactured from the best materials; and being entirely free from any of those injurious substances so often found in soap, we do not hesitate to pronounce it unequaled for washing flannels and fine goods, or for family use of any kind. We have several other qualities of soaps which give the most unqualified satisfaction wherever used. Our house has been established upward of fifty years, and has a wide reputation for manufacturing only from the best materials.

GIVE THE PEARL MOTTLED SOAP A TRIAL.
ENOCH MORGAN'S SONS,
No. 211 Washington-st., and No. 440 West-st.

WINES AND LIQUORS.

WINES FOR THE HOLIDAYS.
The undersigned, sole agent of
PAUL DE CONINCK, MONOD & GUIRAUD,
of Bordeaux, France,
Offers for sale his
LARGE STOCK OF WINES, &c.,
at the lowest prices.
J. MARC MARTIN, Importer,
No. 203 Pearl-st., New-York.

F. CURET,
746 BROADWAY, 748

Continues to serve complete assortments of eatables on the style of Chevet, of Paris, such as Game, Fowl, Patés, Galantine, Water Ices, Sorbets, &c.

Orders for the Holidays will be punctually attended to.

FAT BEEF.—THE BEEF OF THE EIGHT FINE cattle fatted by Daniel Drew, Esq., will be exposed for sale on Wednesday, Dec. 24, by JOHN HARRIS, stalls Nos. 40 and 48 Washington Market.

BRUSHES OF EVERY DESCRIPTION at the Brush Factory, No. 329 Pearl-st., Harpers' Building. All articles at the lowest factory prices. Paint Brushes of a superior quality constantly on hand.
JOHN K. HOPPEL.

CHRISTMAS DONATION VISIT—FOR THE Children of Deceased or Disabled Soldiers, at the Institution, No 331 6th-av., from 3 to 7 P. M.

AUCTION SALES.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.
AUCTION SALE OF PICTURES
Contributed by Members of the
ARTISTS' FUND SOCIETY OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
AND PAINTED EXPRESSLY FOR THIS SALE,
To be Sold at Auction,
FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FUND,
TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, at 7½ o'clock, at the Galleries, No. 625 Broadway,
BY MESSRS. H. H. LEEDS & CO.

No.	Subject.	Artist.
1..	Study in Pastel	A. Morris, Esq.
2..	Ammonoosue, White Mountains	T. A. Richards.
3..	Love's First Lesson	J. Carlin.
4..	By the Chimney Corner	J. M. Falconer.
5..	Canvassing its Merits	C. F. Blauvelt.
6..	New-York from Weehawken	D. Johnson.
7..	Summer Time	Alfred Jones.
8..	Fruit	J. H. Cafferty.
9..	Childhood	T. P. Rossiter.
10..	September	Jas. R. Brevoort.
11..	Before Breakfast	Eastman Johnson.
12..	Landscape	J. D. Barrow.
13..	Cooking a Dinner	Louis Lang.
14..	Coast of Florida	J. B. Bristol.
15..	Barking up the Wrong Tree	F. W. Edmonds.
16..	Monument Mountain	W. Whittredge.
17..	Wild Flowers	Alfred Jones.
18..	The Duchess and Her Friends	J. H. Cafferty.
19..	Twilight Feverie	E. Benson.
20..	Content, an Original Marble Bust	C. Muller.
21..	Early Autumn	R. W. Hubbard.
22..	Bougival, France	S. Coleman.
23..	Crossing the Lots	J. G. Brown.
24..	On the Harlem River	H. Carmiencke.
25..	Pleasant Dreams	G. G. Fish.
26..	Claverack Meadows	S. R. Gifford.
27..	The Contraband	V. Colyer.
28..	The Mill	A. W. Warren.
29..	Thoughtful Hours	Wm. Morgan.
30	Swiss Lake	A. Bierstadt.
31..	A Pennsylvania Home	Thos. Hicks.
32..	Summer in the Catskills	C. H. Moore.
33..	Mother and Child, from the Great Picture in the Capitol	E. Leutze.
34..	Reminiscence of Stockbridge, Mass	J. Williamson.
35..	Paring Apples	C. F. Blauvelt.
36..	October Day	J. W. Casilear.
37..	Autumn Dreams	W. J. Hennessy.
38..	Near Leeds, N. Y	J. R. Brevoort.
39..	Incident at the Battle of Newbern, N. C	D. M. Carter.
40..	Bull Neck Mountain, Md	W. L. Sontag.
41..	Roman Contadina	H. A. Loop.
42..	Landscape	J. S. Jameson.
43..	La Brigandiera	Louis Lang.
44..	Spring-Time on the Hudson	Mrs. Greatorex.
45..	The Girl and the Parroquet	R. Staigg.
46..	First Snow	R. Gignoux.
47..	Lighting His Pipe	E. Johnson.
48..	Sunset on the Coast	J. F. Kensett.
49..	Old Warehouse near Faneuil Hall, Boston, built 1680, taken down 1860	J. M. Falconer.
50..	Spouting Rock Beach, Newport	J. A. Suydam.
51..	On the Beach	Geo. G. Fish.
52..	Newport Downs	W. Whittredge.
53..	Morning Prayer	G. H. Boughton.
54..	The Peaks of Chocorua	D. Huntington.
55..	Sunset	D. C. W. Boutelle.
56..	Study from Nature	J. B. Bristol.
57..	Twilight	L. R. Mignot.
58..	Crossing the Ice	J. G. Brown.
59..	In the Valley of the Housatonic	T. A. Richards.
60..	Noonday Fog	J. A. Suydam.
60A.	Landscape	E. D. Nelson.
60B.	Western Stream	C. C. Griswold.

HENRY B. HERTS, JR., Auctioneer.
BY HENRY WOOD & CO.
MAGNIFICENT HOLIDAY PRESENTS.
SPECIAL PEREMPTORY SALE
of
ELEGANT
DIAMOND JEWELRY,
SUPERB 18-CARAT JEWELRY.
FIRST CLASS
GOLD WATCHES, &c.,
On
WEDNESDAY,
Dec. 24,
At 11 o'clock,
At the
SALESROOMS,
No. 450
BROADWAY.

This sale is got up expressly to suit private purchasers, and comprises the very choicest portion of the stock of Mr. Joseph Rafel, late of New-Orleans, all of which is of the very finest quality, and will be guaranteed in strict accordance with the description in the catalogues.

The stock comprises
FINE BRILLIANT RINGS, PINS, EAR-RINGS, STUDS, SLEEVE-BUTTONS, &c.,
in clusters and single stones.

superb eighteen-carat Gold Sets, Bracelets, Pins, Ear-Rings, Rings, &c., in Pearl, Emerald, Ruby, Turquoise, Cameo, Lava, Florentine, Mosaic and other Settings.

Finest quality of Gold Hunting and Open-faced Watches, of Jurgensen, Nardin, Bretting Fréres, Jules Rauss, Tobias, Beesley, Jas. Johnson, and other celebrated makers, together with a general assortment of fine Jewelry, got up expressly for the New-Orleans market, and offering an opportunity that seldom occurs to get such goods at auction.

CATALOGUES WILL BE READY
and
GOODS ON EXHIBITION
early on
MORNING OF SALE,
at which
LADIES are especially INVITED
TO ATTEND.

SCRANTON COAL AT AUCTION.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE, LACKAWANNA AND WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY, NO. 35 WILLIAM-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec 10, 1862.

The Board of Managers will sell at public auction, on TUESDAY, the 23d day of December inst., at 12 o'clock, M., at the room now used as the Merchant's Exchange, Nos. 26 and 28 Exchange-place, corner of William-st., SIMEON DRAPER, Auctioneer,

THIRTY THOUSAND TONS OF FRESH-MINED SCRANTON COAL,

embracing all the usual sizes, and deliverable at their dépôt, Elizabethport, N. J., after the 1st of January next. They will repeat such auction sales on or about the 20th of each month, during the year 1863.

The sale will be positive. Each lot put up will be sold to the highest bidder; no bids, *in any form whatever*, being made for account of, or on behalf of the Company.

Fifty cents per ton, in bankable funds, to be paid at the time and place of sale, and the balance in like funds, on receiving the order for the coal, which must be called for within ten days thereafter, and the coal taken away within thirty days from the day of sale, unless navigation is obstructed.

The other conditions of sale will be substantially those hitherto accepted by all purchasers, by private contract, of coal deliverable at Elizabethport, so far as applicable. The coal will be delivered direct from the cars on their arrival from the mines, when practicable—otherwise from the stock. These conditions will be modified to meet the wants of Ocean Steamers, whose arrival cannot be definitely fixed.

The inauguration of a system of monthly sales at auction, the Board are aware, is a great innovation on previous usages of the Trade; but with a reliable avenue from the Lackawanna and Wyoming Valleys to tide water, open every day in the year, (Sundays excepted,) requiring but 12 hours for the transit of the trains, the advantages of such sales, and the superior condition in which the coal will be delivered, are so apparent, they cannot doubt this mode of selling will commend itself to the favorable consideration both of the Trade and the Consumers, whose coöperation is respectfully invited.

C. R. ROBERT, President.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.
BY ORDER OF G. A. ROLLINS, ESQ., RECEIVER OF HEATH, WYNKOOP & CO.,
RECEIVER'S SALE OF PERFUMERIES,

BEST CLASS COLOGNES, SPLENDID FANCY SOAPS, ESSENTIAL OILS, FINE GLASS BOTTLES, EMPTY BOXES, IRON SAFE, &c.—ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction, on TUESDAY, Dec. 23, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 63 Liberty-st., a very fine assortment of perfumeries, colognes, essential oils, fancy soaps, flavoring extracts, corks, goat-skins, &c.; also, iron safe, (Herring's patent.) Catalogues in a few days at office, No. 5½ Pine-st.

JOSEPH HEGEMAN, Auctioneer,
WILL SELL ON
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24,
At 10 o'clock A. M., at No. 62 Remsen-st., between Henry and Hicks sts.,

Rosewood piano, (Stoddart & Dunham,) also, a large assortment of rosewood and mahogany parlor, chamber and dining-room furniture, hair mattresses, beds, bedding, crockery, glassware, Brussels and ingrain carpets, oil-cloths, stoves, &c. Catalogues at salesrooms.

E. H. LUDLOW, Auctioneer.
COTTON AT AUCTION,
By order of Isaac Henderson, Navy Agent:

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, 1862, at 12 o'clock, at No. 3 Pine-st., near Broadway, 6 bales of cotton.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer.
Salesroom, No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

MINER & SOMERVILLE WILL SELL at auction on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, at 11 o'clock, in their gallery, No. 37 Nassau-st., an elegant collection of original modern Oil Paintings, by our most eminent American artists, viz.: J. W. Casilier, S. Colman, Wm. Hart, D. Johnson, J. G. Brown, A. D. Shattuck, J. R. Brevoort, R. L. Pyne, F. Rondel, W. M. Brown, Oertel, Cary, Smith, G. L. Brown, Pratt, Wydenfeld, Inman, La Croix, Fredericks, Shirlaw, Hazelton and others; also, the well-known picture of the "Doubtful Bill," by Blauvelt—undoubtedly his finest work; also, a beautiful marble medallion of Spring, by R. H. Parks; also, a number of pictures representing the French, Belgian and English schools, among which are the names of Salmon, Diebold, M. A. Kock Kock, Scharp, Diddaest, Pantin, of London, and others of equal merit. The attention of the public is called to this sale, as the majority of the pictures are cabinet size, and highly finished, and fine examples of the artists to whom attributed. They are now on exhibition.

M. DOUGHTY, Auctioneer.

WILL SELL, THIS DAY, AT 10 O'CLOCK, the entire furniture contained in the private residence No. 160 West 26th-st., consisting of rosewood 7-octave piano-forte, tapestry, Brussels and ingrain carpets, on fourteen rooms; parlor furniture, in reps and brocatel; rosewood, oak and mahogany chamber furniture, hair mattresses, feather beds, bolsters and pillows, mahogany sofas, chairs and rockers, extension dining tables, do. chairs, French plate oval mirrors, lace and brocatel curtains, china, crockery, cutlery and glassware, basement and kitchen furniture, oil-cloths, &c., the whole to be peremptorily sold, rain or shine.

JOHN H. BURLEY, Auctioneer.

JOHN H. BURLEY WILL SELL THIS DAY, at 2 o'clock, at No. 444 Canal-st., carpets, oilcloths, beds and bedding, hair mattresses, sofa beds, bureaus, washstands, chairs, tables, cottage suites, chandeliers, lace curtains, cutlery, plated ware, bedsteads, stoves, &c.

AUCTION SALES.

LIST OF HOUSES
FOR SALE
BY
HOMER MORGAN,
NO. 2 PINE-ST., NEAR BROADWAY.

5th-av., No. —, 4 story 18.x60, leasehold 15 years to run, ground rent $400	$8,000
5th-av., 5 story, English basement	20,000
5th-av., 4 story, high stoop, near 31st-st	32,500
5th-av., 4 story, high stoop, near 22d-st	26,000
5th-av., 4 story, high stoop, near 36th-st	26,000
5th-av., cor. 39th-st., 25x65	36,000
5th-av., cor. 39th-st., with extra lot	43,000
5th-av., cor. 43d-st., leasehold	20,000
Madison-av., near 30th-st., 30 feet wide	35,000
Madison-av., cor. 31st-st	28,000
Madison-av., cor. 32d-st	27,000
Madison-av., cor. 33d-st	25,000
Madison av., 6 houses, 4 story each	25,000
Madison-av., near 38th-st	17,500
Madison-av., near 39th-st	23,500
Madison av., cor. 40th-st	45,000
Madison-av., near 41st-st	16,000
Several desirable vacant plots on Madison-av.	
Levington-av., near 25th-st	8,000
Lexington-av., near 33d-st	7,5 0
Lexington-av., near 25th-st	10,000
Lexington-av., near 33d-st	9,000
Lexington-av., near 38th st	20,000
Murray Hill Park, near 36th-st	24,000
Murray Hill Park, near 34th-st	20,000
2d-av., near 19th-st	8,000
2d-av., near 19th-st	10,000
2d av., near 18th-st	20,000
Bond-st., No. 34, 26x110; elegantly frescoed, and in splendid order	20,000
Bond-st., with stable	25,000
Clinton-place, near Broadway; leasehold	14,000
9th-st., near Broadway; leasehold	14,000
10th-st., Brevoort-place; leasehold	14,000
10th-st., Brevoort-place	25,000
10th-st., near 6th-av	11,000
11th-st., near Broadway	12,500
11th-st., near 5th-av.; 28 feet wide	20,000
12th-st., near Broadway; house and stable	27,000
14th-st., near 6th-av., leasehold	8,000
15th-st., near Friends' Meeting House	20,000
West 16th-st., 33 feet wide and stable	35,000
E. 16th-st., opposite Dr. Tyng's church, in fine order	10,500
West 17th-st., 5 stories, 28 feet wide	18,000
Grammercy Park, East 20th-st., extra large and fine house, and double lot	
East 29th-st., near 4th-av., 4 stories, 25x60	18,000
East 20th-st., near Broadway	12,000
East 21st-st., 4 stories, 28x70 feet	25,000
West 21st-st., 4 stories, 27½x70	25,000
East 21st-st., with extra lot and stable	32,000
West 22d-st., near 5th-av	24,000
East 23d-st., English Basement, 28 feet wide	18,000
East 24th-st., near Madison-square, 4 stories, brown stone	15,000
West 24th-st., near Madison-square, 4 stories, brown stone	15,000
West 25th-st., near Madison-square, 4 stories, brown stone	20,000
East 26th-st., handsome basement	15,000
East 27th-st., English basement, 20x56	14,000
East 28th-st., 4 stories, brown stone	18,000
West 28th-st., 4 stories, brown stone	22,000
West 29th-st., near 5th-av	35,000
West 30th-st., 4 story brown-stone	17,500
West 31st-st., 4-story brown-stone	25,000
West 32d-st., 4 elegant brown-stone houses	
East 32d-st., 4-story brown-stone	16,000
West 33d-st., handsome English basement	13,000
Wast 34th-st., elegant and complete	32,000
East 34th-st., elegant and complete	26,000
West 34th-st., new and elegant	30,000
East 35th-st., 3-story, high-stoop	14,000
East 35th-st., 4-story, high-stoop	15,000
No. 25 West 35th-st., 3-story, high-stoop, brown-stone, 22x55	13,500
West 35th-st., near 5th-av	12,000
West 37th-st., with stable, near 5th-av	16,000
West 38th-st., near 6th-av	11,000
West 38th-st., near 5th-av	21,000
West 39th-st., near 5th-av., 4-story, brown-stone	16,000
East 41st-st., near 5th-av., new	18,000
East 42d-st., between Madison and 5th avs	20,000
West 43d-st	13,000
West 43d-st	6,000
West 44th-st., near 6th-av., 4-story, brown-stone	15,000
West 45th-st., near 5th-av	9,500
West 46th-st., near 6th-av	12,500
West 46th-st., near 5th-av	16,500
West 47th-st., near 5th-av	11,000
West 48th-st., near 6th-av	8,000
West 50th-st., 3-story, brown-stone, high-stoop	7,500

Permits and particulars can be had by applying to the agent,
HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.
MAGNIFICENT EIGHTEEN, FOURTEEN AND SIXTEEN CARAT JEWELRY.
CONTINUATION SALE

By EDWARD SCHENCK, on WEDNESDAY, 24th inst., at 11 o'clock, at his salesroom, No. 158 Broadway,
By order of I. T. BLACKSTONE, Esq.

The most magnificent sale, warranted 18, 16 and 14 carat. The finest gold jewelry, consisting in part of the finest CORAL FULL SETS,
TURQUOISE AND MOSAIC,
ETRUSCAN, FLORENTINE,

And all the NEWEST and LATEST style of Brooches, Earrings, Bracelets, Scarf Pins, Ladies' Chatelaines, Vest Chains, and Ladies' Diamond and Enameled Watches. Every article is WARRANTED the finest 18, 16 and 14 carat, and can be returned and the money refunded if not found to be so. Every facility will be afforded to LADIES to examine the goods, which will be on exhibition at the salesroom on TUESDAY, 23d inst. Sale positive, without any reserve.

The above is the largest sale of elegant first-class Jewelry that has ever been made in this city, and the public are invited to examine them on Tuesday.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.
ELEGANT FANCY GOODS.
CLOCKS, BRONZES AND PARIAN WARE,
SUPERB HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

THIS DAY, Dec. 23, at 11 o'clock, at No. 141 Broadway, an invoice of French, marble and bronze clocks; very elegant vases, parian figures, bronze groups of figures, musical boxes, &c.; solid rosewood parlor suites, library and reception suites, chamber suites, armoire-a-glace, buffets, wardrobes, centre and fancy tables, library and secretary bookcases, library tables, lounges, easy chairs, &c., being an elegant stock, suitable for holiday presents, and worthy the notice of buyers, as the sale is absolute.

DANIEL A. MATHEWS, Auctioneer.
SUPERB PARIS FANCY GOODS,
BRONZES, CLOCKS, RICH SILVER PLATED WARE,
ELEGANT VASES, PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS,
MUSICAL BOXES, &c.

DANIEL A. MATHEWS, will sell, THIS DAY (Tuesday) and TO-MORROW, (Wednesday,) at 11 o'clock each day, at his salesroom, No. 66 Nassau-st., near Maiden-lane, a large assortment of rich and elegant articles, suitable for CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. Catalogues and goods now ready for examination.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.
ELEGANT BRONZES, CLOCKS, &c.

By EDWARD SCHENCK, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock, at No. 158 Broadway, elegant bronzes, clocks, dinner sets, odors, workboxes, jewel caskets, and other elegant French goods.

Also,
ELEGANT PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS,
A large and elegant assortment.
Also,
an elegant assortment of
FINEST SILVER PLATED WARE,
of the newest and richest designs.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO., Auctioneers.

CAMELS'-HAIR SHAWLS, JEWELRY, FANCY GOODS, &c.—HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. will sell at auction THIS DAY, Dec. 23, at 10½ o'clock, at our salesroom, No. 23 Nassau-st., elegant diamond jewelry, &c., consisting of a splendid assortment, set in the most beautiful styles; watches by the first makers, diamond pins, rings, engravings, bracelets, armlets, breastpins, scarf pins, &c. THIS DAY, Tuesday) Dec. 23, at 12 o'clock, at our salesroom, No. 23 Nassau-st., CAMELS'-HAIR SHAWLS—The balance of an importer's stock, to be sold without reserve, consisting of black, white and scarlet long shawls; green square do.; open centre scarlet, elegant white oriental scarfs, large size; striped camel's hair long and small shawls. Extra quality fine centre, cost $300. White long shawls, open centre; black do.; scarlet filled do.; very costly white do.; superb scarlet square, large size, cost to import, $350. Magnificent white embroidered crape, with superb fringe, cost in Canton $150, and many others.

Also, an invoice of elegant embroidered handkerchiefs, Honiton lace undersleeves and collars, &c.

F. COLTON, Auctioneer.

LARGE SALE OF RICH FURNITURE, velvet, Axminster and Wilton carpets; French plate mirrors, oil paintings, 10 or 12 sewing-machines, silver and silver-plated ware, bed linen, &c. THIS DAY, Tuesday, Dec. 23, at 10½ o'clock, at No. 404 Broadway, near Canal-st., a very large and desirable assortment of rich rosewood and mahogany furniture; 3,000 yards of velvet, Wilton and Axminster carpets; 30 or 40 imported oil paintings; 10 or 12 sewing-machines, in good order—Wheeler & Wilson's, Grover & Baker's and other makes; any quantity of bed linen, quilts, comforters, &c.; solid silver and silver-plated ware, together with French plate mirrors, parlor suites, &c., &c. Sale peremptory.

N. B.—The sewing machines will be sold at 12 o'clock.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO., Auctioneers.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL AT AUCTION, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, at 11 o'clock, at our salesrooms, No. 23 Nassau-st., an invoice of furs, consisting of Hudson Bay Sable muffs, victorines and cuffs; also mink muffs, victorines and cuffs, all of which are in good order, and of the finest description.

A. S. RICHARDS, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY SALE OF ABOUT 1,600 cases of boots, shoes, brogans and gaiters at auction, by RICHARDS & WHITING, on WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, at 10½ o'clock, at store No. 44 Cortlandt-st. Catalogues on morning of sale.

TO HENRY PARRY, AND ALL WHOM it may concern, notice is hereby given that I will sell at auction, on FRIDAY, Jan. 2, 1862, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the old House of Refuge yard, foot of East 24th-st., lot of Caen-stone, to pay storage and charges.
WM. H. SCHERMERHORN, Executor.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 22, 1862.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

LUMBER-YARD FOR SALE.—THE STOCK fixtures, good-will and real estate of a well-established lumber-yard, doing a good business, for sale on easy terms; or, the yard would be leased, if preferred; a rare chance for any one desirous of engaging in a paying business. Apply personally or by letter, to the subscriber, on the premises, foot of 130th-st. and North River, Manhattanville, N. Y.
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PARTNER WANTED.—WITH A CAPITAL OF $20,000 or more, to join the advertiser in starting a Hosiery, Jobbing, Commission or Importing business. The advertiser having occupied a very high position in this branch, has obtained a very valuable connection which can be turned to profitable advantage. Address, A. B. C., Box 2577 New-York Post-office.

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SURE CURE—BY DR. POWERS, SUCCESSfully consulted with Dr. WARD, No. 12 Laight-st. Conducted on the plan of the Hospital des Veneriens, Paris, where those afflicted with any form of private disease can receive prompt treatment, without risk of exposure, viz.: Syphilis, gonorrhœa, gleet, strictures, ulcers, tumors, cancers, secondary and constitutional syphilis, diseases of the kidneys, &c., &c. Thirty years of extensive practice, exclusively devoted to the treatment of those complaints enable them to effect cures in cases where others of less experience have failed. Dr. Powers' Essence of Life restores the vigor of youth in four weeks. This marvelous agent restores manhood to the most shattered constitutions—physical disqualifications, impediments to marriage, thereby speedily cured. The men to consult, Drs. Ward and Powers, the champions and kings of venereal diseases, possessing the most certain, speedy and only effectual remedies in the world, guarantee a perfect cure or no charge, in from one to three days. Established in 1840. N. B.—Those who have used their preventives are never without. Send for a circular. To Ladies.—Dr. Powers' Periodical Drops are a safe and certain remedy for monthly irregularities. The above remedies sent by mail. The afflicted should read their circular. Postage free, on receipt of a three-cent stamp

PRIVATE DISEASES CURED IN THE shortest possible time, by DR. WARD & CO., No. 12 Laight-st., near Canal, without the use of Mercury, loss of time or change of diet. Dr. WARD, from the hospitals of London, Paris and Edinburgh, is the discoverer of the only certain and reliable remedies for diseases of a private character. In 28 years' practice he has cured more cases of Secret Diseases and Wrong Treatment than all others combined. I can and will cure you in less time and expense than any one can or will, and those who have been robbed of their money and health, call; it will take but little money and time to restore you. If you have been unfortunate, call at once. By his special experience in this much-neglected branch of medical science, he is enabled to guarantee a cure in the most complicated cases. Recent cases of Gonorrhœa or Syphilis cured in a few days, without change of diet or hindrance from business. Secondary Syphilis—the last vestige eradicated without the use of Mercury. Involuntary emissions stopped in a short time. Sufferers from Impotency, or loss of sexual power, restored to full vigor in a few weeks. Permanently and speedily cured by a new treatment. Persons at a distance, failing to receive prompt treatment elsewhere, may get a permanent cure effected by writing a full diagnosis of their case, addressed to DR. WARD & CO., No. 12 Laight-st., the only place.

THE VIGOR OF YOUTH IS RESTORED by Dr. POWERS' ESSENCE OF LIFE OR INVIGORATING ELIXIR, and Dr. Powers' Radical Pills or Physical Regenerator. Young man! Are you subject to that soul and body destroying disease resulting from secret habits? Dr. POWERS' Invigorating Essence and Radical Pills briefly cure the very worst cases, while innocent of anything deleterious, and are warranted a never-failing cure. Prepared and sold by WALTER POWERS, M.D., No. 12 Laight-st., New-York. Afflicted, try them! They will certainly cure. Send for circular; first, read it carefully, and then you will send for the remedies.

IMPORTANT TO THE MARRIED AND THOSE ABOUT TO BE MARRIED.—Dr. A. M. MAURICEAU, Professor of Diseases of Women, has just published the 160th edition of the valuable book, entitled "THE MARRIED WOMAN'S PRIVATE MEDICAL COMPANION," strictly intended for those whose health or circumstances forbid a too rapid increase of family. Price $1. Sold at his office, No. 129 Liberty-st., New-York; or can be sent by mail, free of postage to any part of the United States and Canada, by inclosing $1, and addressing Box No. 1,224 New-York City. For sale by H. RICHARDSON, at No. 1 Vesey-st., (Astor House,) and No. 18 Ann-st.; FEDERHEN & CO., 13 Court-st., Boston.

A PHYSIOLOGICAL VIEW OF MARRIAGE.—Containing nearly 300 pages and 150 fine plates and engravings of the anatomy of the sexual organs in a state of health and disease, with a treaty on self-abuse, its deplorable consequences upon the mind and body; with the author's plan of treatment—the only rational and successful mode of cure, as shown by the report of cases treated. A truthful adviser to the married and those contemplating marriage, who entertain doubts of their physical condition. Sent, free of postage, to any address on receipt of 25 cents, in specie or postage stamps. Address Dr. LA CROIX, No. 31 Maiden-lane, Albany, N. Y.

IT IS NOT TOO LATE.—EVERY FALSE STEP may be retrieved, even at the advance of life. To be convinced, read that popular medical work entitled "Human Frailty," and elaborately illustrated with one hundred engravings. Mailed free everywhere on receipt of 25 cents in postage-stamps, by author, Dr. H. A. BARROW, No. 194 Bleecker-st., four doors from Macdougal-st., New-York. To be consulted from 11 till 2 and from 4 till 8.

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SULPHUR AND VAPOR BATHS—ESTABLISHED IN 1820—The only genuine baths in the United States, at No. 1 Carroll-place, Bleecker-st., corner of Laurens, for cure of rheumatism, mercurial affections, &c. Given daily by Dr. A. L. TIMOLAT & CO.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF ROSWELL C. BRAINARD, Esq., Surrogate of the County of Kings, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against MADISON G. HARRINGTON, late of the City of Brooklyn, deceased, that they are required to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, the administrator, at the office of R. W. Stoughton, No. 72 Wall-street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 15th day of May next—dated Nov. 10, 1862.
JUBAL HARRINGTON,
Administrator.
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IN PURSUANCE OF AN ORDER OF THE Surrogate of the County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against HENRY G. VAN MEERBEKE, late of the City of New-York, deceased to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at the office of J. & J. Gemmel, No. 229 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on or before the 23d day of March next. Dated, New-York, Sept 18, 1862.
MARY VAN MEERBEKE, Administratrix.
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PROPOSALS.

DEPUTY QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18, 1862.

PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED AT this office until Tuesday, 23d inst., at 12 o'clock M., for the delivery in this city of two hundred two-horse ambulances, complete, "Wheeling Pattern." The whole to be completed and ready for delivery on or before the 15th of January, 1863. The ambulances to be made according to the specifications for the same to be seen in this office. The right is reserved to reject all bids deemed too high.
(Signed) A. BOYD, Captain and A. Q. M.

AN AUTHOR ABOUT PUBLISHING SEVeral works, desires to meet a liberal-minded person who can loan him $1,000 for six months. Highest references and best security given. The right respondent will associate his name imperishably with the great movements of the age. Only an earnest and God-fearing man need reply; one who feels the sad condition of mankind; who sees that God wills all men to be free and happy; who is an enemy of hollow creeds, and a believer in the true faith of reason and the heart; who is desirous of doing something in this world to deserve the glorious world to come; in a word, who has a great heart of humanity toward man, and an unfaltering faith in the Great Father of the Universe. Address L. C., Box No. 147 *Times* Office, New-York.

NOTICE TO SHOE DEALERS.—THE MAchine-sewed shoes, those having the soles and uppers united by stitches passing through and through the soles, from the inside to the outside of the shoes, are patented as an article of manufacture. To sell these shoes, unless they have my license stamp upon them, is an infringement of my patent. To avoid any reasonable complaint, I will furnish license stamps gratis until the first of January, 1863, to those dealers who have these shoes on hand, purchased before the 1st of December, 1862, on application to me. Such application must be accompanied with proof of the date of purchase, number of pairs, name of manufacturer, and, as nearly as possible, the cost of manufacturing. All persons selling these shoes without the license stamps after the first of December, 1862, will be prosecuted for infringing my patent.
GORDON McKAY, No. 111 Pearl-st., Boston.

THE HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID for old newspapers of every description, old pamphlets of every kind, old blank books and ledgers that are written full, and all kinds of waste paper from bankers, insurance companies, brokers, patent medicine dépôts, printing offices, bookbinders, public and private libraries, hotels, steamboats, railroad companies, boarding-houses, express offices, &c.

Will send to any part of this City, Brooklyn, Hoboken, or Jersey City.
STOCKWELL & EMERSON, No. 25 Ann-st.

FINANCIAL.

U. S.

"FIVE-TWENTY" YEAR
SIX PER CENT. BONDS,
COUPON AND REGISTERED, IN DENOMINATIONS
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The INTEREST on these BONDS is at the rate of 6 PER CENT. per annum, payable 1st of May and November, IN GOLD, which at the present rate of premium on Gold is equivalent to EIGHT PER CENT. PER ANNUM.

They are the CHEAPEST GOVERNMENT SECURITY NOW IN THE MARKET, and pay the largest interest on their cost.

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They are the bonds upon which the government now relies, *through the confidence and patriotism of the people*, for continued financial support.

We keep them for sale to facilitate investment in them and make them more accessible to the public, and every dollar invested in them through us contributes to the direct and immediate support of the government.

FISK & HATCH,
BANKERS, and DEALERS in all issues of Government and other desirable securities,
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Deposits received. Collections made. Loans negotiated, Government Vouchers bought, sold, collected, &c.

NOTICE TO BONDHOLDERS.

OFFICE CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD CO., CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 30, 1862.

This Company is now prepared to pay at the office of Messrs. Vermilyea & Co., No. 44 Wall-st., New-York, the following Bonds, with accrued interest, viz.:

Junction Railroad, 2d Mortgage Bonds, due Nov. 1, 1862.
Toledo, Norwalk and Cleveland 1st Mortgage Bonds, due Aug. 1, 1863.
Toledo, Norwalk and Cleveland 2d Mortgage Bonds, due Aug. 1, 1863.
Cleveland and Toledo Income Bonds, due Sept. 1, 1863.

The privilege of exchanging the different classes of outstanding Bonds of this Company for the Sinking Fund Bonds, will cease from and after this date. The coupons of the different classes of Bonds will be paid as heretofore at the Corn Exchange Bank, deducting 3 per cent. Government tax. JOHN GARDINER, President.

JEFFERSONVILLE RAILROAD FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS.

OFFICE OF THE JEFFERSONVILLE RAILROAD CO., JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Dec. 1, 1862.

Notice is hereby given, that this Company will redeem, on the 2d day of January next, at the United States Trust Company, New-York City, at the lowest offer below par, a part of its First Mortgage Bonds, agreeable to the provisions of a contract made between this Company and the holders of said Mortgage Bonds, bearing date April 14, 1859. Offers for the sale of said Bonds may be addressed, under seal, to the United States Trust Company aforesaid, and indorsed, "Offer of the First Mortgage Bond or Bonds of the Jeffersonville Railroad Company to the Sinking Fund," which offers or bids will be received until noon of the second day of January aforesaid.

J. H. McCAMPBELL, Secretary and Treasurer.

U. S. FIVE-TWENTY LOAN. FOR SALE.

These Bonds, bear 6 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually in gold, commencing from date of subscription. We are prepared to deliver them without delay in denominations of 50s, 100s, 500s and 1,000s, (Coupon or registered,) at par, for current funds.

Purchases of this loan made through us contribute directly to the aid of the Government.

Orders, by mail or otherwise, will receive immediate attention. LIVERMORE, CLEWS & CO., No. 34 Wall-st., New-York, Bankers and Dealers in Securities.

EDWARD KING,
(Late of the firm of JAMES G. KING'S SONS,)
Offers his services at the Board of Brokers for the purchase or sale of
STOCKS, BONDS AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.
No. 23 Wall-st.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD

NOTICE.—THE UNDERSIGNED, RECEIVER IN the action of Morris Ketchum *vs*. The Sciota and Hocking Valley Railroad Company and Others, pending in the Court of Common Pleas, in and for the County of Perry and State of Ohio, hereby gives notice to the holders of the past due coupons on the bonds issued by said Company, and secured by a mortgage to said Morris Ketchum, that at the October Term, A. D. 1862, of said Court, an order was entered in the above-named action, requiring the holders of said past due coupons on said bonds to present the same to said Receiver, with evidence of their being held *bona fide*, on or before the 1st day of February next, and that on such presentation said Receiver shall hear and determine all questions as to the validity of the coupons so presented as claims against the Trust Fund in said action, and that he shall report his decision thereon, and the evidence on which the same is founded, to the next Term of said Court; and further, that all coupons then past due which shall not be presented to said Receiver within the time aforesaid, shall be barred, and precluded from participating in the Trust Fund in said case.

And the undersigned further gives notice that he will attend at his office, in the City of Portsmouth, in the State of Ohio, from the date hereof until, and including said 1st day of February, for the purpose of hearing and determining all questions touching the validity of all coupons of the class aforesaid that may be presented to him under said order.

Dated this 5th day of December, 1862.
J. W. WEBB, Receiver.

OFFICE OF THE JEFFERSONVILLE R. R. Co., [illegible]

NOTICE—TO HOLDERS OF JEFFERSONVILLE R. R. CO.'S FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS.—Public notice is hereby given, in accordance with the terms of an agreement between the Jeffersonville Railroad Company and the holders of its First Mortgage Bonds, dated April 14, 1859, that the United States Trust Company of New-York will, upon presentation at their office, No. 48 Wall-st., redeem at par and accrued interest, fifty of said Jeffersonville Railroad Company First Mortgage Bonds, numbered as follows, to wit: 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 52, 53, 54, 57, 59, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 70, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 81, 82, 83, 85, 86, 87, 91, 92, 93, 94, 98, 99, 102 and 105, being the lowest outstanding numbers.

From and after the 24th day of December, 1862, interest on said bonds will cease by the terms of said agreement.

J. H. M. CAMPBELL, Secretary.
NEW-YORK, Nov. 21, 1862.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, TREASURER'S OFFICE, SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 5, 1862.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Treasurer of the State of Illinois will, on and after the first Monday of January, 1863, until the 4th day of February, 1863, be ready at the American Exchange Bank, New-York, to pay the interest maturing on the first Monday of January, 1863, on the public debt of the State of Illinois.

The interest then due and not called for prior to the 4th day of February, 1863, will thereafter be paid only at the office of the Treasurer of the State of Illinois, in the City of Springfield, Illinois.

WILLIAM BUTLER, Treasurer.

Holders of Illinois and Michigan Canal Bonds, where coupons are exhausted, are required to present the Bonds.
WILLIAM BUTLER, Treasurer.

HOLDERS OF TRUSTEES' CERTIFICATES issued for second and both classes of third Mortgage Bonds of the Chicago and Mississippi or the St. Louis, Alton and Chicago Railroad Company, are hereby notified that the Trustees of the assented creditors of the late Chicago and Mississippi Railroad Company, are prepared to issue therefor the Preferred and Common Stock of the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company upon the terms of the Bondholders' agreement, as altered, modified and amended, on surrender of the Certificates to L. H. MEYER, Chairman of Trustees, Room No. 9, No. 25 William-st.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1862.

OFFICE OF ST. LOUIS, ALTON AND TERRE HAUTE RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 12 Wall-st., NEW-YORK, Dec. 19, 1862.

NOTICE.—ALL PERSONS ARE CAUTIONED against purchasing the following bonds of the St. Louis, Alton and Terre Haute Railroad Company, said bonds having been stolen, between 2 and 3 o'clock this day, in Wall-st.,

5 Income Bonds, $1,000 each, Nos. 460 to 464.
10 Income Bonds, $500 each, Nos. 1,454, 1,455, 1,456, 1,496, 1,523, 1,530, 1,532, 1,564, 1,579, 1,643. In all, $10,000.

OFFICE OF THE ATLANTIC MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 51 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 15, 1862.

THE BOOKS OF THIS COMPANY WILL close on the 31st inst., preparatory to its annual statement. Persons holding policies on risks which shall have terminated during the year, prior to 1st January next, are requested to furnish an account of the premiums thereon, and a statement of all claims for return of premiums, to prevent any discrepancies in the account.
W. TOWNSEY JONES, Secretary.

NOTICE.—HAMILTON AND ST. JOSEPH RAILROAD.—All past due Coupons, including those due July 1, 1862, from Bonds of the State of Missouri, issued to the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company, will be paid on presentation of same at Bank of Commerce, in New-York. H. F. VAIL, Cashier.
Dec. 19, 1862.

FOX AND WISCONSIN IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.—A meeting of the Board and Stockholders of this Company will be held at their office, in Trinity Buildings, No. 111 Broadway, on TUESDAY, the 30th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M.
JOHN F. SEYMOUR, President.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 22, 1862.

BROOKLYN CENTRAL AND JAMAICA Railroad Company Bonds, due Nov. 15, 1863, will be redeemed at 102 per cent., and accrued interest, on presentation at the office of A. G. JEROME & CO., No. 20 Exchange-place.

STOCKS, BONDS, GOLD AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES,
Bought and sold at Board of Brokers,
By A. G. HEMINWAY & CO.
No. 53 Exchange-place.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY.—The Coupons due 1st of January, 1863, on $400,000 First Mortgage Bonds of this Company will be paid on *presentation* IN GOLD COIN less 3 per cent. excise tax, at the office of SCHUCHARDT & GEBHARD.

E. A. VANDERHOOF,
No. 54 Wall-st., opposite Merchants' Exchange.
STOCKS bought and sold exclusively on commission at one-eighth per cent.
MONEY loaned on Stocks and Bonds.

COUPONS, COUPONS.—CALIFORNIA STATE and San Francisco City Coupons bought and collected at best rates by WILLIAM T. COLEMAN & CO., Nos. 161 Pearl and 70 Wall-st.

MONEY TO LEND ON BOND AND MORTGAGE.—Applications will be received at the office of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, No. 92 Broadway, for $50,000 at 6 per cent.

SEWING MACHINES.

WHEELER & WILSON, SINGER, FINKLE & LYON, HOWE, and other first-class sewing-machines, new, for sale—part cash and the balance in monthly installments. P. H. DIAMOND, 539 Broadway

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF THE GALENA AND CHICAGO UNION RAILROAD COMPANY.—CHICAGO, Dec. 17, 1862.—NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS.—At a stated meeting of the Board of Directors of this Company, held this day, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a Dividend of Three Per Cent. upon the Capital Stock of this Company be, and the same is hereby declared, payable at the office of the Company in Chicago, on the 10th day of January next, to holders of said stock at the close of business on the 31st day of December next, in Exchange on New-York at par. The Three Per Cent. tax to the United States will be paid by the Company.
W. N. LARRABEE, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE & HUDSON CANAL COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 1, 1862.

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THIS Company have declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Three and a Half per Cent. out of the profits of the Company, payable on and after FRIDAY, the 19th of December instant.

The transfer books are now closed, and will remain closed until the morning of the 15th inst.

By order of the Board.
ISAAC N. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the New-Jersey Zinc Company, held at Jersey City, this 12th day of December, 1862, a dividend of Four per cent. was declared on the Preferred Stock, and Four per cent. on the Common Stock, payable on the second day of January next, at the transfer office of the Company, No. 108 Liberty-st., New-York. The transfer books will be closed from the 20th inst. to the 2d proximo.
A. H. FARLIN, Treasurer and Secretary.

157TH DIVIDEND—BANK OF NEW-YORK.—The Board of Directors of the Bank of New-York have THIS DAY declared a Dividend of THREE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT. (3½) upon the capital stock, (free from Government tax,) payable on and after the 2d day of January, 1863. The Transfer Books will be closed until the 2d of January.
WM. B. MEEKER, Cashier.

BROADWAY BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1862.

TWENTY-SIXTH DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-annual Dividend of Five (5) Per Cent., free, from Government tax, will be paid to the stockholders of this Bank, on the 2d day of January ensuing.

The transfer books will be closed from the 24th inst., until the day of payment. By order of the Board,
J. L. EVERITT, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE COMMONWEALTH FIRE INSURANCE CO., No 6 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—A DIVIDEND OF SEVEN PER Cent., (free from Government tax,) has this day been declared, payable on and after the 22d inst.

Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 22d inst., inclusive. GEO. T. HAWS, Sec'y.

MANUFACTURERS' AND MERCHANTS' BANK.

DIVIDEND—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE this day declared a Dividend of three per cent. on the Capital Stock (free of Government tax) payable on and after the 2d day of January next, until which date the Transfer Books will be closed.
A. MASTERTON, Cashier.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE BANK IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF Three per Cent. on the capital of this Bank has been declared—free from Government tax—payable on and after 2d day of January next. By order.
E. J. OAKLEY, Cashier.

BANK OF AMERICA.—THE PRESIDENT and Directors of the Bank of America have this day declared a Dividend of Four (4) Per Cent., free from Government tax, for the current six months, payable to the stockholders on and after Friday, Jan. 2, 1863. The transfer books will remain closed from this date until the morning of the 6th day of January.

57TH DIVIDEND.—THE BROOKLYN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY
have declared their usual semi-annual Dividend of
TEN (10) PER CENT.
out of the profits for the last six months, (free from Government tax,) payable on and after Jan. 2, 1863.
DEC. 10, 1862. WM. F. LEGGETT, Secretary.

BANK OF NORTH AMERICA, NEW-YORK, Dec. 20, 1862.

DIVIDEND NO. 23.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a dividend of Three and a Half (3½) per Cent., (free of Government tax,) payable Jan. 8. The transfer books will be closed from Dec. 26 to Jan. 8. JOHN P. YELVERTON, Cashier.

HANOVER BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 17, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a dividend of three per cent. on the Capital Stock, (free from Government tax,) payable on and after the 2d day of January next.
By order. THOS. L. TAYLOR, Cashier.

EAST RIVER BANK DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors have declared a dividend of three and half per cent., free of Government tax, from the profits of the last six months, payable on and after Jan. 2, 1863. The Transfer Books will be closed from Dec. 22 to Jan. 2. W. S. CARMAN, Cashier.

SAVINGS BANKS

THIRD-AVENUE SAVINGS BANK.
Corner 3d-av. and 25th-st.
Chartered 1854.
Six per cent. interest allowed.
DEPOSITS MADE ON OR BEFORE JAN. 1, WILL DRAW INTEREST FROM THAT DATE.
Bank open daily from 10 to 3; also on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday Evenings from 6 to 8 o'clock.
SPENCER K. GREEN, President.
AUGUSTUS F. LEE, Secretary.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK,
CHATHAM-SQUARE, NEW-YORK.
Open Daily from 10 to 2 and from 5 to 7 P. M.
Deposits from 25 cents to $5,000 received. SIX PER CENT. INTEREST PAID on sums of $500 and under—5 per cent. on larger deposits.
M. D. VAN PELT, Pres't.
JOS. P. COOPER, Sec'y. CHAS. D. BAILEY, Treas.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST.—CITIZENS' SAVINGS BANK, corner of Bowery and Canal-st., open every day from 9 to 3, and on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 5 to 7.
Interest commences Jan. 1, 1863.
Bank Books in English German and French.
GEORGE FOLSOM, President.
SEYMOUR A. BUNCE, Secretary.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION—NO. 96 Warren-st.—Interest allowed at the rate of 6 per cent. on sums from $1 to $500, and 5 per cent. on sums over that amount. Open Daily from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M. Also on Monday, Thursday and Saturday evening from 4 to 7 P. M. N. B.—Money to loan on Bond and Mortgage.
WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE.
FIFTH COLLECTION DISTRICT OF THE STATE OF NEW-YORK.
7th, 10th, 13th and 14th Wards of the City of New-York.

Notice is hereby given that the duties and taxes imposed and assessed in the Fifth Collection District of the State of New-York, by and in pursuance of the Act of Congress of the United States, entitled an "Act to provide internal revenue to support the Government and to pay interest on the Public Debt, approved July 1, 1862," have become due and payable, and that I will attend to receive the same at my office, No. 561 Broadway, in the City of New-York, daily, Sundays excepted, from the 2d day of January, 1863, to the 31st day of January, 1863, both inclusive, between the hours of 9 o'clock, A. M., and 3 P. M. All persons who shall neglect to pay to me the said duties and taxes assessed upon them within the time above specified, will be liable to pay ten per centum additional upon the amount thereof. JOSEPH HOXIE, Collector Fifth District State of New-York.
NEW-YORK, Dec. 13, 1862.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.: Regulating and grading, setting curb and gutter stones in Fifty-ninth-street, from Tenth-avenue to Hudson River; regulating and grading in Fourth-avenue, from Seventy-first to Seventh-ninth-street; paving Thirty-seventh-street, from Madison to Fifth-avenue, and for crosswalk in Whitehall-street, opposite number thirty-four and a half. The limits embraced by such assessment, include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on both sides of Fifty-ninth-street, between Tenth and Twelfth avenues; on both sides of Eleventh-avenue, between Fifty-eighth and Sixtieth streets; on both sides of Fourth-avenue, from Seventy-first to Seventy-ninth-street; on both sides of Seventy-second, Seventy-third, Seventy-fourth, Seventy-fifth, Seventy-sixth, Seventy-seventh, Seventy-eighth and south side of Seventy-ninth streets, between Third and Fifth avenues; on both sides of Thirty-seventh-street, between Madison and Fifth avenues; on both sides of Whitehall-street, between Pearl and State streets; south side of Pearl-street, between State and Moore streets; on north side of State-street, Ward numbers six hundred and ninety-eight, six hundred and ninety-nine, seven hundred, seven hundred and one, and seven hundred and two.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to one of the undersigned, at their office, No. 32 Chambers-street, basement New Court-house, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

CHAS. McNEILL,
JACOB F. OAKLEY, Board of Assessors.
WM. A. DOOLEY,
OFFICE, BOARD OF ASSESSORS, NEW COURT-HOUSE, Dec. 16, 1862.

THE COMMITTEE ON SEWERS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every WEDNESDAY at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 8, City Hall. Parties interested in any matter before the Committee will have an opportunity of being heard.
T. FARLEY,
IRA A. ALLEN,
G. A. JEREMIAH,
Committee on Sewers.

THE COMMITTEE ON FIRE DEPARTMENT of the Board of Aldermen will meet every SATURDAY, at 2 o'clock, in the City Library Room, City Hall.
ALEX. FREAR,
IRA A. ALLEN,
WILLIAM WALSH,
Committee on Fire Department.

ASTROLOGY.

MEDICAL CLAIRVOYANT.—MADAME CLIFFORD, No. 197 Dean-st., corner of Hoyt, Brooklyn, detects disease, prescribes remedies and communicates clairvoyantly with the army. Never fails. Business sittings, 50 cents. Medical examinations, $1. Hours, 8 to 8.

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE, Washington City, Nov. 24, 1862.—Wanted, for service in the Department of the South, several light draught steamers; draught not to exceed five feet to six feet loaded. Persons having such steamers for charter or for sale are requested to send information to Major Stewart Van Vliet, Quartermaster United States Army, New-York, stating terms of sale or charter, with dimensions of the vessels, place where and time when built.
M. C. MEIGS, Quartermaster-General.

AMUSEMENTS.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

In compliance with an invitation from the Mayor and many of the leading citizens of Brooklyn,
MR. EDWIN BOOTH
Will have the honor to make his
FIRST APPEARANCE IN THAT CITY,
ON TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 23,
in the character of
RICHELIEU,
in Sir Bulwer Lytton's play of that title.
Mr. BOOTH will be sustained by
Mrs. JULIA BENNETT BARROW,
and a company including the names of H. F. Daly, O. Marlowe, A. H. Davenport, T. E. Owens, J. J. Prior, S. H. Wilkins, Ferris, France, Russell, Miss Nina Foster, (her first appearance,) and Mrs. Hind.

The box-office will be open for sale of seats, which may be secured for twenty-five cents extra, instead of fifty as heretofore, every day from 8 A. M.

Doors will open at 7, performance commences at 7¾.

PALACE OF MUSIC HALL,
14th-st., near 6th-av.
MONDAY EVENING, DEC. 22, 1862,
AND EVERY EVENING DURING THE WEEK.
The celebrated and original
BUCKLEY'S SERENADERS,
BRASS BAND
AND BURLESQUE OPERA TROUPE,
In conjunction with
MISS JULIA GOULD,
Will make their first appearance
SINCE THEIR RETURN
FROM
ENGLAND,
Under the management of
J. G. COLLINS.
CHRISTMAS DAY, TWO PERFORMANCES.
Afternoon at 3; evening at 7½.

MASON & THOMAS'
SOIREES OF CHAMBER MUSIC.
WILLIAM MASON, THEODOR THOMAS, J. MOSENTHAL, G. MATZKA and F. BERGNER,
Have the pleasure of announcing their
EIGHTH SEASON
Of Six Soirées of Chamber Music,
To be given at
DODWORTH'S HALL, No. 806 BROADWAY,
Opposite 11th-st.,
On TUESDAY, Dec. 23, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Subscriptions received at the music stores of Messrs. Scharfenberg & Luis, No. 769 Broadway, and Messrs. Beer & Schirmer, No. 701 Broadway.

The grand piano is kindly furnished by Messrs. Steinway & Sons, Nos. 82 and 84 Walker-st.

COOPER INSTITUTE.
FATHER KEMP'S
OLD FOLKS,
WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY EVENINGS, at 8 o'clock, Dec. 24 and 25.
Twenty-five Ladies and Gentlemen in
COSTUME OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO,
WITH
GRAND ORCHESTRA, assisted by
EMMA J. NICHOLS.
Grand Matinée Christmas Afternoon, at 3 o'clock.
Tickets, 25 cents; Children, 15 cents. Doors open at 7 o'clock in the evening.

ART AND INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION,
FOR THE BENEFIT OF A
GERMAN HOSPITAL,
Corner of Broadway, 4th-st., and Lafayette-place.
Entrance No. 348 4th-st.
Open daily from 3 to 10 o'clock P. M., until Tuesday, Dec. 23.

A brilliant display of gifts to be disposed of by chances.

Entrance fee, 10 cents. Season tickets, $1.

N. B.—In order to complete the arrangements, the exhibition will be closed next Wednesday, and a few days longer.

PARLOR GYMNASTICS FOR LADIES.

Mrs. Z. R. PLUMB (graduate of Dr. Dio Lewis' Physical Institute of Boston) will instruct a class in the above at J. WOOD'S Gymnasium, No. 6 East 28th-st., near 5th-av. Circulars sent free on application.

NEW, LIGHT, OR PARLOR GYMNASTICS for Ladies and Gentlemen. Misses' and Boys' Private and Select classes at BRADY'S Gymnasium, No. 20 St. Mark's-place, 8th-st. The regular classes in gymnastics will continue as heretofore.

SHIPPING.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH-AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS.
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR, AND BETWEEN BOSTON AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT HALIFAX AND CORK HARBOR.

AFRICA, ANDERSON, leaves Boston Wednes'y, Dec. 10.
CHINA, COOK, leaves New-York, Wednesday, Dec. 17.
ARABIA, STONE, leaves Boston, Wednesday, Dec. 24.
SCOTIA, JUDKINS, leaves New-York, Wednesday, Dec. 31.
EUROPA, MOODIE, leaves Boston, Wednesday, Jan. 7.
PERSIA, LOTT, leaves New-York, Wednesday, Jan. 14.

FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage..........$165
Second Cabin Passage..........100
FROM BOSTON TO LIVERPOOL.
Chief Cabin Passage..........$140
Second Cabin Passage..........80

Berths not secured until paid for.
An experienced surgeon on board.
The owners of these ships will not be accountable for specie or valuables unless bills of lading, having the value expressed, are signed therefor.
For freight or passage, apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling Green.

STEAM TO LONDONDERRY, GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL.

The Montreal Steamship Company's first-class full-powered Clyde-built steamer
NORTH AMERICA,
Capt. BURGESS, carrying the Canadian and United States mails, will sail from Portland next
SATURDAY, Dec. 2?.

Rates of passage from New-York—First-class, according to accommodations, $101 and $87; Steerage, found with good provisions, $40. Certificates issued for bringing out passengers from all the principal towns in Great Britain and Ireland at very low rates. For passage apply at No. 23 Broadway, New-York.
SABEL & SEARLE, General Agents.

STEAM FROM NEW-YORK TO LIVERPOOL.

The Steamship
GREAT EASTERN, WALTER PATON Commander, having completed her repairs, which have been inspected and approved by the Agent of the English "Lloyds," the Surveyor of Steamers for the Board of Underwriters of New-York, and other scientific gentlemen, who have given their certificate to that effect, will be dispatched
FROM NEW-YORK FOR LIVERPOOL
ON
SATURDAY, Jan. 3.

First Cabin, from..........$110 to $155 each berth, according to the size, situation and accommodation of the state-rooms; all having the same privileges in the Saloons and in regard to meals and attendance.

Suites of apartments for families may be engaged by special agreement.

Servants accompanying passengers, and children under twelve years of age, half fare. Infants free.

Second Cabin state-room berths, meals furnished at separate table..........$80

Third Cabin, intermediate state-room passengers, found with beds, bedding, table utensils and good substantial food..........$65

Steerage, with superior accommodations..........$35

Each passenger allowed twenty cubic feet of luggage. An experienced Surgeon on board.

For Freight and Passage, apply to
CHAS. A. WHITNEY,
At the office, No. 26 Broadway, New-York.
HOWLAND & ASPINWALL, Agents.

STEAM WEEKLY TO LIVERPOOL, touching at QUEENSTOWN, (CORK HARBOR). The Liverpool, New-York, and Philadelphia Steamship Company intend dispatching their full-powered Clyde-built Iron Steamships as follows:

EDINBURGH..........Saturday..........Dec. 27
——..........Saturday..........Jan. 3
——..........Saturday..........Jan. 10

and every succeeding Saturday, at Noon, from Pier No. 44, North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE:

First Cabin	$100	Steerage	$40
First cabin to London	105	Steerage to London	43
First cabin to Paris	115	Steerage to Paris	48
First cabin to Hamburg	110	Steerage to Hamburg	45

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Bremen, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at equally low rates.

Fares from Liverpool or Queenstown: First Cabin, $100, $110, $125. Steerage from Liverpool, $50. From Queenstown, $40. Those who wish to send for their friends can buy tickets here at these rates.

These Steamers have superior accommodations for passengers; are strongly built in water-tight iron sections, and carry Patent Fire Annihilators. Experienced Surgeons are attached to each Steamer.

For further information apply in Liverpool to WILLIAM INMAN, Agent, No. 22 Water-st.; in Glasgow to ALEX. MALCOLM, No. 5 St. Enoch-square; in Queenstown to C. & W. D. SEYMOUR & CO.; in London to EIVES & MACEY, No. 61 King William-st.; in Paris to JULES DECOUE, No. 48 Rue Notre Dame des Victoires, Place de la Bourse; in Philadelphia to JOHN G. DALE, No. 111 Walnut-st., or at the Company's Offices.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

FOR NICARAGUA, C. A.—THE CENTRAL American Transit Company will dispatch a regular monthly line of freight vessels to San Juan del Norte (Greytown). The next vessel to follow the G. S. ADAMS, will be the first class schooner SARAH N. SMITH, Capt. FISKE, 200 tons burthen, to sail on or about the 5th January next.
For freight apply to
JOHN E. BODY,
No. 63 Exchange place.

FOR HAVANA VIA NASSAU, N. P.—THE British and North American Royal Mail Steamship BRITISH QUEEN, Capt. LE MESSURIER, will sail for the above ports, from the Company's Wharf, at Jersey City, on TUESDAY, Dec. 9, and TUESDAY, Jan. 6, 1863.
Passage money to Nassau..........$50 00
Passage money to Havana..........70 00
For Freight or Passage apply to
E. CUNARD, No. 4 Bowling-Green.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS VIA HAVANA.—THE steamer RELIEF, Capt. Richardson, will leave Pier No. 4 North River, for the above port, on FRIDAY, Dec. 26, 1862, at 3 P. M. Has excellent accommodations for passengers. Rates of passage, $60 first cabin, $50 second cabin. For freight or passage, apply to
D. DE GOICOURIA & CO., No. 11 Broad-st.

STEAMBOATS.

FOR BRIDGEPORT—DAILY LINE.—THE steamer BRIDGEPORT leaves Pier No. 26, East River, daily, at 12 o'clock noon, arriving in Bridgeport in time to connect with the Housatonic, Naugatuck, New-Haven and Hartford Railroads; also, the shore line to Saybrook and New-London. Freight taken and received on the wharf all day, and way-bill to all stations on Housatonic Railroad, at contract prices.
GEORGE W. CORLIES, Agent.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD AND SPRINGFIELD.—Steamers leave Peck-slip at 3:15 P. M. Passengers go north from New-Haven at 11 o'clock P. M. or remain on board over night without charge.

AMUSEMENTS.

A GRAND
VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT,
FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE
WOUNDED SOLDIERS,
By the Pupils of the
COOPER UNION MUSIC CLASS,
ASSISTED BY THE FOLLOWING ARTISTS:
Mrs. Mozart, Madame Stoepel, Kissy Stoepel, Mr. George Simpson, Mr. J. R. Thomas, Mr. Thomas White, Mr. F. Eben, Flutist, Mr. F. Stoepel.
In the large Hall of the
COOPER UNION.
TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, 1862.
Under the patronage of

Maj.-Gen. SANDFORD,	AUGUST BELMONT, Esq.
Hon. D. F. TIEMANN,	Hon. S. S. RANDALL,
PETER COOPER, Esq.,	SIMEON DRAPER, Esq.,
Hon. MOSES F. ODELL,	E. C. BENEDICT, Esq.,
Hon. HORACE GREELEY,	E. M. CARRINGTON, Esq.,
Rev. S. H. WESTON,	J. N. HAYWARD, Esq.,
LUTHER B. WYMAN, Esq.,	D. SLOTE, Esq.,
HENRY KIDDLE, Esq.,	Hon. JAMES BROOKS.

GEORGE F. BRISTOW, Conductor.
Concert to commence at 7¾ o'clock.
Tickets, 25 cents; Reserved Seats, 50 cents.
PETER COOPER, Esq., Treasurer.
DANIEL F. TIEMANN, Chairman.
ROBERT J. JOHNSTON, Secretary.

WINTER GARDEN.
GRAND REVIVAL OF THE
SPECTACULAR DRAMA
OF THE
LAKES OF KILLARNEY.
Introducing the following beautiful scenic representations:
1.—Lakes of Killarney.
2.—Foot of Torc Mountain.
3.—Opening of the Water-Lily.
4.—View of the Lake at the foot of the Eagle's Nest.
5.—Torc Waterfall.
6.—O'Sullivan's Cascade.
7.—The Black Valley.
TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23,
MR. AND MRS. BARNEY WILLIAMS
will appear in the lovely Irish drama of
THE LAKES OF KILLARNEY.
MR. BARNEY WILLIAMS as. LANTY McLAUGHLIN
MRS. BARNEY WILLIAMS as......KATE KEARNEY
Revival of the Comedy of
CONNECTICUT COURTSHIP.
MRS. BARNEY WILLIAMS..as..........OUR JEMIMA
Also the Comedy of
TWO BONNYCASTLES.
Thus presenting an entertainment for the Holiday week of
UNSURPASSED ATTRACTION.
In rehearsal, the charming burlesque of
THE INVISIBLE PRINCE.
DON LEANDER, her original character in America,
Mrs. B. WILLIAMS

NIBLO'S SALOON.
GOODWIN AND WILDER'S
POLYMORAMA.
Will be on exhibition
FOR THE FIRST TIME,
CHRISTMAS EVE, Dec. 24,
and every Monday (except Monday 29.) Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings, and every Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, until further notice.
Scenes from the first
DREAD SIGNAL AT SUMTER,
down to the last great battle. Also,
THE GREAT NAVAL FIGHT
BETWEEN THE
MERRIMAC AND MONITOR,
where is seen the moving of ships, the thundering of cannon, and the din of battle fall upon the ear of the audience, and the fearful work of carnage and death is presented with distinctness mocking reality.

Doors open at 7 o'clock; commence at 7¾ o'clock. Afternoons, open at 2 o'clock; commence at 2½ o'clock.

Admission, 25 cents. Reserved seats, 50 cents. Children accompanied by parents to reserved seats, 25 cents.

Grand performance every afternoon at 2½ o'clock Christmas Holiday week.

No performance Tuesday and Saturday nights.

CHRISTMAS NIGHT—IRVING HALL.
THE NEW-YORK HARMONIC SOCIETY
will give their eleventh annual performance of
THE MESSIAH,
On CHRISTMAS NIGHT, (Thursday,) Dec. 25, 1862.
Doors open at 6; to commence at 7½ o'clock.
SOLOS SUSTAINED BY
Mrs. MOZART and Miss E. COLMAN, Sopranos;
Mrs. JENNY KEMPTON, Alto;
Mr. G. SIMPSON, Tenor; Mr. J. R. THOMAS, Bass.
THE NEW-YORK HARMONIC SOCIETY,
in full force, will sustain the choruses. The powerful Orchestra, selected by Prof. F. Eben, comprises some of the most eminent resident instrumentalists, and numbers some 30 pieces. In addition to the Orchestra, will be used a large-sized Harmonium, producing the tone of a 16-foot pedal pipe, manufactured by the celebrated firm of Carhart, Needham & Co., No. 97 East 23d-st., New-York. E. J. CONNOLLY, Organist; THEO. THOMAS, Leader; GEO. W. MORGAN, Conductor.

Tickets 50 cents, to be had at the music stores of Hall & Son, No. 543 Broadway; Firth, Pond & Co., No. 547 Broadway; Beer & Schirmer, No. 701 Broadway; Isley & Co., No. 430 Broome-st.; at the bookstore of H. B. Price, 884 Broadway; at the office, Irving Hall, corner of 15th-st. and Irving-place, and at the doors on night of performance

BOARDING AND LODGING.

BOARDING.—A PRIVATE FAMILY WILL LET a second-story front room and two small rooms to gentlemen and their wives, on reasonable terms. Call at No. 16 East 42d-st.

AT NO. 176 EAST-FOURTEENTH-ST.—Extension parlor to let, with fire, closets, hot and cold water, gas, to suit gentleman and wife or two single gentlemen. Two or three young ladies can be accommodated. Reference required.

FURNISHED ROOMS TO LET—IN A PRIVATE family. The house contains all the modern improvements, and convenient to first-class hotels. Apply or address No. 1,132 Broadway, between 25th and 26th sts.

SUPERIOR ACCOMMODATIONS FOR gentlemen at No. 42 Clinton-place, corner of University-place. Transient persons $1 per day.
CHARLES LEFLER, Proprietor.

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FURNITURE.
$150,000 WORTH OF
CABINET FURNITURE,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL,
BY DEGRAFF & TAYLOR,
NO. 87 BOWERY.
Offer their entire stock at lower prices than any other establishment in the City.
FOR CASH.
Consisting of
ROSEWOOD PARLOR AND CHAMBER FURNITURE
In Brocatel, Delaine and Plush.
MAHOGANY, WALNUT AND IMITATION
FURNITURE OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.
All goods warranted.

ENAMELED CHAMBER FURNITURE.—The best assortment of enameled furniture in all colors and styles; walnut and chestnut, plain and ornamental, in suites, wholesale and retail; also, mattresses and paillasses. WARREN WARD, No. 277 Canal-st.

SHOW CASES.—HOFFMAN & FERSH, MANUfacturers 132 Chatham-st. All kinds of show cases on hand, or, made to order. Old show cases exchanged.

RAILROADS.

NEW-YORK AND FLUSHING RAILROAD.
FALL ARRANGEMENT.
On and after 15th October, 1862, leave James' Slip Ferry r Thirty-fourth-st. Ferry, at 7, 9, 11, 2, 4, 5, 6.
Leave Flushing at 7, 8, 10; 1, 3:45, 5, 6.
Way-stations are Calvary Cemetery, Winfield, Newtown and Fashion Course Dépôt.
Freight received at James-slip Ferry. Freight for way-stations must be received before 1 o'clock.
J. S. BOTTORFF, Supt.
P. S.—A special extra night train will be run on Tuesday and Friday, leaving Flushing at 10½, and New-York at 11½ P. M. Fare 25 cents.

NEW-YORK, HARLEM & ALBANY R. R.
FOR ALBANY, TROY, NORTH AND WEST.
Winter arrangement, commencing Monday, Nov. 17, 1862.
For Albany—10:30 A. M. Express Mail Train, from 26th st. station. Returning, leave Albany at 10:30 A. M.
For all local trains, see time-table.
JOHN BURCHILL, Sup't.

LONG ISLAND RAILROAD—CHANGE OF TERMINUS.—Passenger Dépôt at James-slip and foot 34th-st., E. R.
WINTER ARRANGEMENTS—Commencing FRIDAY, Oct. 21, 1862. Leave New-York at 9 A. M., for Greenport, Sag Harbor, Orient and Hampton.
At 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., for Syosset.
At 5 P. M., for Hempstead.
At 9 A. M. and 4 P. M., for Islip.
On Sunday, a train leaves Hunter's Point (34th-st. Ferry) at 8½ A. M., for Yaphank and intermediate stations, at excursion rates. Returning, leaves Yaphank at 3:36 P. M.
On Friday and Saturday nights, the 4 P. M. Islip train will run through to Greenport, returning Saturday and Monday mornings, at 4:15 A. M., arriving in New-York at 9:52 A. M.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—FOR ALBANY, TROY, THE NORTH AND WEST.
Trains leave:

FROM CHAMBERS-ST.	FROM THIRTIETH-ST.
Express, 7 and 10 A. M., and 3:15 and 5 P. M.	7:22, 10:27 A. M., and 3:37 and 5:22 P. M.
Troy and Albany, (with sleeping car,) 10:30 P. M.	10:57 (Sundays included) P. M.

A. F. SMITH, Superintendent.

RARITAN AND DELAWARE BAY RAILROAD.—On and after TUESDAY, Sept. 23, the new and fast steamer THOMAS COLLYER will leave New-York, foot of Murray-st., at 7 A. M. for Long Branch, Manchester and Atsion; there connecting with the Camden and Atlantic Railroad to Camden, N. J., and other points on that road. At 3:30 P. M. for Long Branch, Red Bank, Manchester, and intermediate stations.

ERIE RAILWAY.—PASSENGER TRAINS leave as follows: 7 A. M., Express for Buffalo; 9 A. M., Milk, daily, for Port Jervis; 12:15 P. M., Accommodation, daily; 3:30 P. M., Way, for Middletown, Newburgh, Warwick; 5 P. M., Night Express, daily, for Dunkirk, Buffalo and Canandaigua.
CHAS. MINOT, General Superintendent.

NEW-YORK AND MONTREAL FREIGHT LINE.—The most expeditious and reliable Steamer and Railroad Transportation Line from New-York to Burlington, St. Johnsbury, Ogdensburgh, Montreal and all intermediate towns, by New-Haven steamers. Pier No. 25 East River, South-st., New-York. FRANCIS HYDE, Agent.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains leave Jersey City for Piermont and Monsey at 9.15 A. M. and 4.20 P. M.; for Piermont 12.15 P. M. and 6.05 P. M.; on Mondays 4.45 P. M.
THOS. W. DEMAREST, Sup't.

AMUSEMENTS.

WALLACK'S.

Open at 7¼; begins at 8; over before 11.
TO-NIGHT, (TUESDAY,)
NEVER ACTED HERE,
A COMIC DRAMA, of peculiar construction and effects, translated from one of Scribe's best productions, called
THE INVISIBLE HUSBAND,
enhanced by entirely New Scenery, by Mr. Isherwood and Assistants; New Costumes and Appointments, New and Appropriate Music by Mr. Stoepel, and produced with
THE UTMOST CARE IN EVERY DEPARTMENT.

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Village in Spain, with the distant mountain view.
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GRAND, ROMANTIC, SPECTACULAR DRAMA,
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BLONDETTE!
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The most magnificent scenic play ever witnessed. Received at each representation, by
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THUNDERS OF APPLAUSE,
From the rise to the fall of the curtain.
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THE PALACE OF DIAMONDS,
THE DEVIL'S CROSSWAY,
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THE CRYSTAL KINGDOM
OF THE MAGIC WATCH.

HOPE CHAPEL.
LAST WEEK OF
TIRRELL'S CALIFORNIA.
During Holiday Week, Exhibitions will be given every Afternoon at 3, and Evenings at 7½.

FATHER KEMP'S OLD FOLKS WILL give a concert on TUESDAY EVENING, in the Methodist Church, near 8th-av., in behalf of the New-York Seamen's Friend Society, to assist in erecting a Sailor's Home in this City.

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE.

VALUABLE LANDS AND WATER POWERS for sale, on the River St. John and its tributaries, in the Province of New-Brunswick. 13,750 Acres, consisting of the following tracts:

8,000 Acres on the Gulquack, a tributary of the Tobique, which empties into the St. John; the said land is well covered with Pine, Spruce and other timber, which has been preserved for the last twenty years.

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450 Acres at the junction of the Aroostook and St. John Rivers; about 60 Acres of which are now ready for cultivation.

300 Acres at the fall of the Aroostook, about three miles from the mouth, embracing both sides of the river, commanding one of the best water powers in the Province.

The above water powers, both with respect to their position and capabilities of application to the manufacture of lumber and other commodities, are second to none in the Province. The whole of the above lands are also of the best quality for agricultural purposes, and should the centre route through New-Brunswick be adopted in the construction of the proposed Intercolonial Railway, it must pass either through or in the vicinity of the tracts on the Tobique.

Application to be made to the Central Bank of New-Brunswick, Fredericton.
Signed, S. W. BABBIT Cashier.
FREDERICTON, 22d Nov., 1862.

FOR SALE—A BEAUTIFULLY LOCATED FARM of thirty acres, in the City of Orange, N. J., one mile from dépôt, and 2½ miles from centre of Newark. A good house, size 35x36, on the same. A rare and beautiful location for a gentleman's country seat. Will be sold low for cash, and part of purchase money can remain on the place for a term of years. Inquire or address KING & BOND, Newark, N. J.

FOR SALE—THE PIECE OF PROPERTY ON the northeast corner of Pitt and Rivington sts., being 125 feet by 86. Also, between 8 and 10 acres of land in Riverdale; fine view of North River, and fronting on two avenues. WM. LEWIS MORRIS, No. 46 West 19th-st.

FOR SALE VERY LOW.—TWO NEW THREE-story brick dwellings, with modern improvements, north side of Lefferts-st., short block from Atlantic and Fulton-avs., Brooklyn. Location very desirable. Terms easy. H. A. SPAFARD, No. 18 Wall-st., New-York, or No. 317 Pearl-st., Brooklyn.

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE—OF MEDIUM size, in a good location in the City. The interior is splendidly finished and in excellent order. Will be sold at a very moderate price, the greater part of which can remain on mortgage.
D. WARNER, No. 34½ Pine-st.

A DWELLING HOUSE AND STORE FOR SALE—At Fordham, 12 miles from City Hall, one block from Railroad dépôt. Will be sold together or separate. A good chance for a business man.
D. WARNER, No. 34½ Pine-st.

A HANDSOME HOUSE AND TWO LOTS for sale, extremely cheap, in a pleasant, elevated situation, near a ferry in Brooklyn: modern improvements, in good order, good neighborhood, and very easy terms. SOUTHWICK & WOOD, No. 82 Nassau-st.

MURRAY HILL.—FOR SALE, A NEW FIRST-class four-story brown stone front house, replete in every particular—No. 23 East 37th-st. House 25 by 65 feet. Inquire of RENO D. ROBINS.

VILLAGE PROPERTY AT MINEOLA, L. I., consisting of 3 houses, shop with engine, etc., worth about $10,000, to sell or exchange for farm land near Dixon, Ill. S. COCKCROFT, No. 4 Pine-st.

COUNTRY RESIDENCES.

ORANGE, N. J.—FURNISHED AND UNFURnished houses, beautifully situated, one hour from New-York, to let for the season or year; also, country seats, farms and villa sites to rent and for sale low, by HENRY B. BLACKWELL, No. 59 William-st., New-York, 9 to 11 A. M.; No. 48 Main-st., Orange, 1 to 5 P. M.

TO LET.

OFFICES TO LET—IN THE TIMES' BUILDING—Fronting Spruce-st., suitable for lawyers' offices. Inquire in the *Times'* Counting-room.

FOR RENT.—A FURNISHED OR UNFURnished house, No. 20 West 17th-st., for any length of time not less than one year. If the renter desires to buy the furniture, it will be sold at a moderate price. The house can be seen on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, from 9 A. M. till 1 P. M. No applications must be made by any but private families with good references. The applicants may judge of the comforts of the house and furniture by seeing them. House 33 feet wide; rent $300 a month. For further particulars apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

TO LET OR LEASE—IN WHOLE OR IN SEParate parts, the marble-front store No. 447 Broadway, extending through to Mercer-st., 25x200 feet. Rent moderate. Possession can be given immediately. Inquire of WM. MITCHELL, No. 62 Wall-st.

TO LET—THE BASEMENT UNDER THE TIMES Office, fronting Park-row, 32x16 feet. Inquire in office of the *Agriculturist*, No. 41 Park-row.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

FACTORY WANTED.—WANTED, A WORK-shop, well lighted, with steam power, or one suitable for its introduction. It must be located between Canal and Fourth-st., and not more than three streets east or west of Broadway. Any one having such a building, or one that could readily be converted, address, stating size and situation, FACTORY, Box No. 1,389 N. Y. P. O.

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TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY,
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OF
Boucicault's Great Irish Drama,
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which has been received with such wild enthusiasm here the last three weeks. It will be produced
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MR. WM. B. HARRISON, COMIC IMPROMPTU SINGER, appears at each performance.
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one of the most extraordinary wonders of the world,
MAY BE SEEN AT ALL HOURS,
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as may also that wonderful and extraordinary creature, the
WHAT IS IT? or MAN MONKEY,
which excited so much interest here for two years. What he is, no one seems to know, appearing to be as much man as monkey, having many of the characteristics of each.
BEAUTIFUL CONNECTICUT GIANTESS,
ONLY 18 YEARS OLD, AND WEIGHS 628 LBS.
OLD ADAMS' CALIFORNIA BEARS,
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THE BEAUTIFUL COLORED TROPICAL FISH.
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Admission to all 25 cents. Children under ten, 15 cents.
GRAND PREPARATIONS
are being made here for the celebration of
CHRISTMAS DAY
SPLENDID DRAMATIC PERFORMANCES
will be given nearly
EVERY HOUR, DAY AND EVENING.

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This new and elegantly appointed Zoological Exhibition is open daily from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M., with the most magnificent collection of
LIVING WILD ANIMALS
Upon the continent, including four elephants, five lions, tigers, leopards, bears, hyenas, and
RARE BEASTS AND BIRDS,
Too numerous to particularize, from every quarter of the Globe. LADIES AND FAMILY PARTIES
Are reminded that this beautiful and instructive display of animated Nature is open throughout the day and evening, without intermission. Admission, 25 cents. Children under ten, 15 cents.

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MISSISSIPPI
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WAR ON ITS BANKS,
Now exhibiting in the New Hall of Art, No. 653 Broadway, EVERY EVENING at 7½ o'clock, and on WEDNESDAY, CHRISTMAS and SATURDAY AFTERNOONS, at 3 o'clock. Admission, 25 cents; Children, 15 cents.

MR. CHURCH'S NEW PICTURE,
UNDER NIAGARA.
Painted from studies made on the *Maid of the Mist*, now on Exhibition at GOUPIL'S GALLERY, No. 772 Broadway, from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Admission 25 cents.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE SABBATH SCHOOL connected with the Mariners' Church, corner of Catharine and Madison sts., will take place on TUESDAY, Dec. 23, 1862, at 7½ P. M. The programme will contain the "Cantata of the Christian Graces," and a tribute to Ellsworth, Lyon, Baker and other departed heroes, together with Solos, Glees, Choruses, Dialogues, Addresses, &c. Tickets, 25 cents.

NEW OR PARLOR GYMNASTICS.—MRS. Z. R. PLUMB will open select classes for ladies, lads and misses, at Dodworth's Hall, No. 806 Broadway, on MONDAY, Dec. 22, to meet EVERY MONDAY and FRIDAY, at 3 P. M. Private evening classes are in successful operation. Others will be formed on suitable application by the requisite number. Apply at the Hall, on class days, from 2 to 5 P. M., or address Post-office Box No. 3,386. Circulars sent free.

LECTURES.

THE REV. WILLIAM H. MILBURN
will deliver his great lecture on
AARON BURR,
at the church, corner Houston and Thompson sts., THIS (Tuesday) EVENING, 23d inst., at 7½. Doors open at 7. Tickets 25 cents. Can be had at Rushton's, No. 10 Astor House; Sheldon & Co., No. 335 Broadway; Ross Lockwood's, No. 411 Broadway; Randolph's, 683 Broadway; Veitch's, corner of Bedford and Morton sts.; Martines', No. 420 Hudson-st.; Hopkins', No. 88 West Broadway, and this evening at the door.

MR. MASON JONES.
Mr. MASON JONES will deliver an Oration On WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, at NEWARK.
And in a few days,
A NEW ORATION,
AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC, 14th-st.
Being the last (for the present) in New-York.

MASTER ROBERT LINCOLN, THE YOUNG American Lecturer, will speak THIS (Tuesday,) EVENING, Dec. 23, before the Young Men's Christian Association, at the Zion Baptist Church, in Sullivan-st. Doors open at 7, commence at 8 o'clock. Tickets 15 cents.

FAIRS.

GRAND FAIR.

The Fair of the Ladies' Union Aid Society for the care of aged and infirm, is now open and will continue throughout the week, at the City Assembly Rooms, Broadway, between Grand and Howard sts. In addition to the great variety of splendid articles on sale, visitors will be entertained by performances through the day on one of Steinway's Grand Pianos, generously lent for the occasion, and a fine band of music each evening.

Admission 25 cents. Season tickets $1.

THE LADIES OF ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL Church, 20th-st., will hold a Fair for the benefit of the Sunday School of the Parish, at No. 178 9th-av., commencing MONDAY, Dec. 22, at 6 P. M., and continue Dec. 23 and 24, from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M. Contributions will be thankfully received at No. 255 West 21st-st.

FAIR OF THE MEMORIAL CHURCH BENEVOLENT SOCIETY, to aid the Church and the Poor, now open, during the days and evenings, from Monday, Dec. 15 until Christmas Eve, in the Sunday School Building, Hammond-st., corner of Waverley-place.

THE FAIR FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE Union Home School for Soldiers' children, is now open at the Home, No. 20 East 42d-st., afternoon and evening. Donations thankfully received.

INSTRUCTION.

EAGLESWOOD MILITARY ACADEMY—Eagleswood, (Perth Amboy,) N. J.
Access by Staten Island Ferry and Railroad at 7 and 9 A. M.; and 1, 3 and 5 P. M. Catalogues and full information of MARCUS SPRING, Eagleswood, Perth Amboy, N. J., and No. 27 Park-place, or MASON BROS., Mercer-st., New-York.

PARKER AND BERTHET'S CLASSICAL FRENCH AND ENGLISH SCHOOL—No. 23 East 21st-st., corner of Broadway, will be reopened Sept. 8. There is a Primary Department under a female teacher. French is spoken in one department and in the gymnasium. Circulars at LOCKWOOD'S, No. 411 Broadway.

IRVING INSTITUTE, TARRYTOWN, N. Y.—The Fiftieth Semi-annual Session will commence Nov. 1. For circulars address the Principal.
D. S. ROWE, A. M.

MR. GEO. C. ANTHON'S CLASSICAL French and English School, with Gymnasium, No. 872 Broadway. Circulars at the school.

TEACHERS.

AS TEACHER OR GOVERNESS.—A POSItion is desired on Jan. 1, by a lady of superior qualifications and large experience as teacher in a school, resident, or visiting governess; the former preferred. The advertiser is qualified to teach the usual English branches, together with French, (which she speaks) Latin, etc. The smallest possible compensation would be accepted, provided an arrangement can be effected by Jan. 1. Testimonials given of the highest grade; references unequivocal. Address, immediately, Z., Morrisania, Westchester County, N. Y.

A CLASSICAL TEACHER.—WANTED, IN a boarding-school, one hour's ride from the City, a classical teacher; none but a graduate of the first capacity and good experience shall be accepted. Wanted, another teacher to take charge of the elementary English classes, book-keeping and part of the discipline. Address, with references, LL. D., Box No. 133 *Times* Office.

AS GOVERNESS.—A LADY, WHO HAS HAD considerable experience in teaching the usual branches of English, with French and music, wishes a situation as daily governess; references to former pupils. Address T. A. E., Box No. 138 *Times* Office.

"AMERICAN EDUCATIONAL BUREAU" —No. 561 Broadway.—Schools and families supplied with competent teachers; parents with school circulars, (gratuitously,) and teachers with positions. References, Harper Bros., Appleton & Co.
SMITH, WILLSON & CO.

DANCING.

A. DODWORTH'S DANCING ACADEMY,
No. 204 5th-av., corner of 26th-st.
The afternoon Classes of WEDNESDAYS and SATURDAYS having nearly reached the full number, classes will commence on MONDAY, Dec. 1, to meet on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS at 4 P. M.
Circular of terms, &c., may be had at the Academy.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

A MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE New-York Institution for the Blind, for the election of twenty Managers for the ensuing year, will be held at the Institute, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th of December next, at four o'clock, P. M. ROBERT S. HONE, Recording Secretary.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

IMPORTANT MATTERS BEFORE CONGRESS.

Who Chartered the Vessels for the Banks Expedition.

A Special Committee of Inquiry on the Subject.

OUR SPECIAL WASHINGTON DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 22.

PENNSYLVANIA AND THE ADMINISTRATION.

The statement editorially made in an evening paper here that Gov. CURTIN, during his late visit, stated that any attempt to remove Secretary SEWARD from the Cabinet would place Pennsylvania in opposition to the Administration, is authoritatively denied. Immediately after the battle of Fredericksburgh, Gov. CURTIN telegraphed to Secretary STANTON, offering on the part of Pennsylvania, any possible aid, and while here stated that nothing, in a time of such peril to the Government, could array Pennsylvania against the Administration.

A MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

The following resolution, to-day introduced into the Senate by Mr. GRIMES, is a prompt and praiseworthy movement in the right direction. The investigations of Congress have been of incalculable value to the country, and if the Government will follow conviction with punishment, that value will be doubled:

Resolved, That a Select Committee of Three be appointed to inquire into and report to the Senate the facts, including brokerage, in regard to the chartering of transport vessels for the BANKS Expedition, the unworthiness of such vessels and the character of the men employed to navigate them, and that they be empowered to send for persons and papers.

It is understood that this resolution means work, and that the Committee will prosecute the inquiry with energy and zeal.

GEN. BURNSIDE.

Gen. BURNSIDE's bearing under the late repulse from Fredericksburgh is such as to extort admiration from the most prejudiced of his opponents. His report of operations on the Rappahannock has produced here the same effect on the public that his demeanor has done on his associations. All admire the lofty manhood which is visible in every statement, and a more intimate knowledge of facts is fast producing a reaction in the sentiment that first regarded our repulse as a terrible disaster. We now know for a certainty that the number of the badly wounded will fall short of eighteen hundred—the rest being only slightly injured. The killed will somewhat exceed Gen. BURNSIDE's estimate, and nearly reach fifteen hundred. The *morale* of the army is excellent, the men being in the best of spirits, and anxious to be again led to battle by their commander, in whom they have unbounded confidence, and for whom they entertain the warmest affection. Our regret at the repulse at Fredericksburgh is mitigated by the discovery of qualities in the army and its Commanders calculated to excite enthusiasm and inspire hope. The courage of the troops has thrown into the shade all the operations of the war, and the result has developed in their Chief the noblest of qualities in a leader, and such as are worth more to the country in this period of official vacillation, cowardice and selfishness than can well be estimated. That the Army of the Potomac has found a leader who is a soldier, without being a mere martinet, and whose patriotism overrides all personal aims, is rapidly becoming realized. The public may rest assured that out of our apparent disaster on the Rappahanock are destined to grow the most hopeful results.

THE FREDERICKSBURGH DISASTER.

The Committee on the Conduct of the War have concluded their investigation into the circumstances of the Fredericksburgh defeat, and will to-morrow submit to the Senate a short report and all the testimony taken. The evidence is very strong in proof of the splendid fighting of the army, which has nearly redeemed the affair from the consequences of a defeat. It is proven that at the council of war, held at Warrenton before the change of base, the order for sending the pontoons from Washington to Falmouth was written by Gen. MEIGS and signed by Gen. HALLECK.

THE ADJOURNMENT OVER.

It is expected that the Senate will to-morrow concur in the House resolution of adjournment till after the holidays.

THE PORTER COURT-MARTIAL.

The Porter Court-martial will most probably close its testimony by to-morrow noon, and will then adjourn for a few days to give the Judge-Advocate time to prepare his brief for the summing up.

TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 22.

THE PROTEST.

The protest against the passage of the bill to indemnify the President and others for certain arrests under the suspension of the *habeas corpus*, etc., was drawn by representative PENDLETON, and those who signed it had voted against the bill.

THE VESSELS OF THE BANKS EXPEDITION.

A communication was sent to the Senate to-day, from the War Department, in answer to a resolution of inquiry relating to chartering certain worthless ships for the Banks expedition, in which it is stated the hulls of the steamers *Thames* and *Niagara* were inspected by an official designated by Commodore VAN BRUNT; the engines by Ex-Chief-Engineer HASWELL, designated for that purpose by Gen. BANKS. Accompanying is an indignant protest against the condemnation of the *Thames*, by her owners, EVERETT, STORRS, TAYLOR & HUBBELL.

THE EMANCIPATION BILL.

The bill agreed upon by the House Select Committee on Emancipation is substantially that recently introduced by Representative NOELL, of Missouri, for facilitating emancipation in that State, and appropriating $20,000,000 for that purpose.

THE INDIAN TROUBLES.

Recent information from the Cherokee Nation discloses a shocking condition of affairs there. The loyal and disloyal Indians slaughter one another, the Government severed, and a new one organized by the Confederate Party, which is in the majority.

REWARDS FOR DESERTERS.

The Navy Department offers a reward of $100 for MICHAEL REARDON, of New-York, Acting Second Assistant-Engineer, who deserted from the *Monticello*, and $50 for JEREMIAH REGAN, who deserted from the *Delaware*.

NAVAL ORDER.

Acting Assistant-Surgeon CHARLES S. EASTWOOD has been ordered to the ship *Shepherd Knapp*.

POSTMASTERS.

Among the recent nominations for postmasters are the following:

Nathaniel Law, at Dover, N. H.; Daniel M. Whitney, Green Bay, Wis.; Emerson Hall, St. Johnsburgh, Vt.; Daniel Kellogg, Jr., Brattleboro', Vt.; Hezekiah H. Naylor, Pekin, Ill.; Ephraim Longgear, Lansing, Mich.; John Rowe, Portsmouth, Ohio; Clinton Cullom, Meedville, Penn.; Isaac Baker, Princeton, N. J.; Harvey Palmer, Niles, Mich.

THE CARE OF THE WOUNDED.

Thoughtful provision on the part of Medical Director LETTERMAN for the removal from the field of battle and the subsequent care in the temporary hospitals of the wounded rendered far less necessary than heretofore supplementary assistance. The record of facts of both surgical and medical character respecting the wounded are unusually complete, and will afford valuable data for statistical research.

NOMINATIONS.

Several hundred nominations of Assessors and Collectors, under the Tax law, were sent to the Senate to-day for confirmation. These were appointed during the recess of Congress.

CONFIRMED.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of CALEB B. SMITH, for District Judge of the District Court of Indiana. No nomination has yet been made to supply the vacancy thus occasioned in the Department of the Secretary of the Interior.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 22.

The Vice-President laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of War in answer to an inquiry from the Senate, in relation to the chartering of the steamers *Thames* and *Niagara* for the Banks Expedition.

The communication states that Major-Gen. BANKS was authorized to procure his vessels from Commodore VANDERBILT, of New-York, but that no official report has been received from Gen. BANKS in regard to the matter.

The Secretary of War further states, unofficially, that he was informed that the vessels of the "Banks Expedition" were inspected by G. H. VAN BRUNT, and the engines by C. H. HASWELL.

The Secretary of War also states that Gen. BANKS had full power in the matter, and that upon the receipt of a report from him it would be transmitted to the Senate.

The Vice-President also submitted a letter from the owners of the steamer *Thames*, Messrs. HUBBELL & STURGISS, of New-York, stating that the *Thames* was a new vessel; that she was launched in 1862; that she was built of the best material and in the best manner; that her engines were made at the Delamater Iron Works, New-York; that she was purchased for the China trade, and that the story that she was a worn-out lake steamer is utterly without foundation.

The Vice-President also submitted a letter from the builders of the boat at Mystic Conn., certifying to the same facts.

Mr. GRIMES, of Iowa, (Rep.,) said there seemed to be a great diversity of opinion in regard to these vessels, and he offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Select Committee of three members be appointed to inquire into, and report to the Senate, the facts in regard to chartering the transport vessels for the "Banks Expedition," the seaworthiness of such vessels, and the character of the men employed to navigate them, and that the Committee be empowered to send for persons and papers.

Mr. HALE, of New-Hampshire, (Rep.,) thought that the resolution better be enlarged so as to include this whole subject. He (HALE) had been told that a brokerage of ten per cent. in some cases had been paid for these vessels—aye, even ten per cent. every month.

After a slight modification the resolution was adopted.

The Vice-President also laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting the correspondence with the Russian Government relative to telegraphic communication between the mouth of the Amoor River and San Francisco, Cal. Ordered to be printed.

Mr. LATHAM, of California, (Dem.,) presented a memorial, signed by nearly all the Express Companies in the United States, asking for an amendment to the Internal Revenue law.

Mr. CLARK, of New-Hampshire, (Rep.,) from the Committee on Claims, reported a bill to pay the funeral expenses of the late Senator E. D. BAKER. Which was passed.

Mr. GRIMES, of Iowa, (Rep.,) offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Naval Affairs to inquire into the expediency of abolishing the United States Marine Corps as a naval organization, and attaching it to the United States Army as the Twentieth Regiment of Infantry, and that they report by bill or otherwise. Adopted.

Mr. HALE, of New-Hampshire, (Rep.,) offered a resolution requesting the Secretary of the Navy to inform the Senate by virtue of what law the number of Captains on the active list has been increased beyond the number authorized by the law of July 16, 1862, and by virtue of what law ninety-one Commanders appear on the active list on the Naval Register, when the aforesaid law limits the number to seventy-two. Adopted.

Mr. MCDOUGALL, of California, (Dem.,) offered a resolution requesting the Secretary of the Navy to furnish the Senate a copy of the report made by Chief Engineers STIMER and NEWELL upon the causes for delay in the completion of the *Housatonic*. Adopted.

Mr. MCDOUGALL also offered a resolution of inquiry into the causes of the accident to the *Passaic*. Adopted.

Mr. DAVIS, of Kentucky, (Union,) introduced a bill requiring the President to appoint a Commissioner to adjust, settle and liquidate the claims, accounts and debts between the United States and any State during the existing rebellion. Referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. POWELL's resolution, inquiring whether any person arrested had been required to take an oath not to sue those arresting them, as a condition of release, was then taken up and passed.

Mr. SAULSBURY's resolution relative to sending troops into Delaware at the late election there, was taken up.

Mr. ANTHONY, of Rhode Island, (Rep.,) moved to refer it to the Committee on Military Affairs.

The motion was discussed until the expiration of the morning hour, when, on motion of Mr. LANE, of Indiana, the bill relating to the discharge of State prisoners was taken up.

Mr LANE proceeded to address the Senate.

On motion of Mr. FIELD the bill was postponed.

The Senate then went into Executive Session, and subsequently adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 22.

Mr. SHEFFIELD, of Rhode Island, (Union,) presented the credentials of Hon. MICHAEL HAHN, Representative elect from the First Congressional District of Louisiana.

On motion of Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, (Rep.,) they were referred to the Committee on Elections.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) offered a resolution directing the Secretary of War to inform the House what number of volunteer regiments were in the service of the United States to whom arrears of pay are now due, for what length of time due to each regiment, and the reasons why they have not been paid.

Mr. WICKLIFFE, of Kentucky, (Union,) said a similar resolution had already been adopted.

Mr. MCPHERSON, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) remarked that the information had already been given by the Secretary of the Treasury.

On motion of Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, (Rep.,) the resolution was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

On motion of Mr. ARNOLD, of Illinois, (Rep.,) a resolution was adopted instructing the Committee on Ways and Means to inquire into the expediency of amending the tax laws, so that licences may be transferred, and may be good in the hands of the assignees for the time given.

Mr. LOVEJOY, of Illinois, (Rep.,) offered a resolution instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether further legislation is required on a letter submitted by him from an Illinois Colonel, wh sets forth the annoyances to which he has been subjected in consequence of negroes freed from rebels being hindered in their transportation with the army. The resolution was adopted.

Mr. VALLANDIGHAM, of Ohio, (Dem.,) offered the following, saying he proposed to debate it, which causes it to lie over:

Resolved, That this House earnestly desire that the most speedy and effectual measures be taken for restoring peace in America, and that no time may be lost in proposing an immediate cessation of hostilities, in order to the speedy settlement of the unhappy controversies which brought about this unnecessary and injurious civil war, by just and adequate security against the return of like calamities in times to come, and this House desire to offer the most earnest assurances to the country, that they will in due time cheerfully coöperate with the Executive and the States for the restoration of the Union by such explicit and most solemn amendment and provisions of the Constitution as may be found necessary for securing the rights of the several States and sections within the Union under the Constitution.

Mr. PENDLETON, of Ohio, (Dem.,) offered a resolution that the protest and remonstrance of thirty-six members of the House, submitted therewith against the unconstitutionality and injustice of the bill recently passed indemnifying the President and others for suspending the writ of *habeas corpus*, be entered on the journal.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) moved to lay the resolution on the table. Carried, 75 against 40.

Mr. ASHLEY, of Ohio, (Rep.,) introduced bills proposing a temporary Government for Idahoe, and to enable the Territories of Nevada, Utah and Colorado to form State Governments preliminary to their admission into the Union. Referred to the Committee on Territories.

Mr. CALVERT, of Maryland, (Union,) offered a resolution, which by his request was laid over, setting forth that the Secretary of the Navy has wilfully and illegally appointed Acting-Midshipmen during the recess of Congress, and attempted to justify himself by the arbitrary assumption of necessity. The House accordingly protest most decidedly against his action, and all such appointments are declared null and void.

On motion of Mr. COX, of Ohio, (Dem.) it was resolved that the President be requested, if not incompatible with the public service, to communicate to this House any correspondence or other information in his possession relating to the alleged interference of our Minister to Mexico in favor of the French in the present war between the Mexican Republic and the Emperor of the French, by signing a protest against the expulsion from Mexico of French subjects.

On motion of Mr. SHELLABARGER, of Ohio, (Rep.) the Committee of Ways and Means were instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the Tax Law so that newspapers circulating not exceeding 2,500 copies may not be subject to tax.

Mr. BINGHAM, of Ohio, (Rep.,) introduced a bill for the emancipation of the slaves of rebels in the States and Territories of the United States. Referred.

Mr. MAY, of Maryland, (Dem.,) offered a resolution requesting the President to communicate to the House a copy of the order of the Secretary of State dated about the 28th of November last, and which he caused to be read to the State prisoners at Fort Warren, forbidding them to employ counsel, on the ground that such a course would be deemed by the Government and the State Department as a reason for prolonging their imprisonment.

Mr. MAY said he wanted to know whether such prisoners were guilty of a crime for clinging to the privileges of the Constitution.

The Speaker informed him that debate was not in order.

On motion of Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) the resolution was tabled by a vote of 63 against 48.

Mr. MOREHEAD, of Pennsylvania, offered a joint resolution, which passed, declaring it as the opinion of Congress that the Secretary of Treasury should take immediate steps for the payment of the sums due to soldiers and sailors, and that preference be given to such classes of creditors over all others, whether judicial, legislative or executive.

Mr. WARD, of New-York, (Dem.,) offered a resolution to include aliens in the marine corps and navy, who have served one year and been honorably discharged, in the privilege extended to those serving in the army of becoming citizens without previous declaration of citizenship. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

On motion of Mr. TRAIN, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) a resolution was adopted providing for a Select Committee to inquire whether any officer or employe of the Government is interested, directly or indirectly, in, any banking-house or moneyed institution having contracts with the Government, or dealing in stocks or other property.

Mr. HUTCHINS, of Ohio, (Rep.,) offered a resolution proposing to give gold medals to the soldiers who, in the midst of peril, first crossed over to Fredericksburgh. Referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. MALLORY's resolution, that (the Senate concurring) an adjournment take place from Tuesday to the first Monday in January, passed by a vote of 79 against 47.

Mr. BINGHAM moved that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from the further consideration of the bill declaratory of emancipation of slaves in rebel States and Territories.

Mr. WICKLIFFE, of Kentucky, (Union,)—Oh! don't be in a hurry. Wait for the Proclamation.

The bill was read for information. It provides that all persons held in involuntary servitude or Slavery, except for crime, in any State or Territory of the United States, or any parts thereof, the people of which may be in insurrection on the 1st of January, 1863, shall on the day and year aforesaid be declared free and forever released from the involuntary servitude or Slavery aforesaid; and that the President of the United States shall by proclamation on that day declare all persons so held within such States and Territories in insurrection to be free and entitled to the protection of their personal liberty, according to the Constitution and laws, and by all persons in the civil and military service of the United States; and that full compensation shall be hereafter provided by the United States to all loyal citizens whose slaves may be emancipated by this act.

The question was taken and resulted in a vote of 62 against 62; a two-thirds vote being required, Mr. BINGHAM's motion was disagreed to.

Mr. WHITE, of Indiana, (Union,) from the Select Committee on Border State Emancipation, asked leave to report a bill appropriating twenty millions to aid Missouri in emancipating her slaves, and that it be recommitted to the Select Committee. Agreed to 77 against 33.

Mr. WALKER offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee of Ways and Means be instructed to inquire into the expediency of authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury, at his discretion, to issue bonds to the amount of $100,000,000, of such denominations as shall be best adapted to the purpose of circulation, and bearing interest at the rate of 6 per centum annually, payable in three or five years, at the pleasure of the Government, and receivable for all dues to the Government, except customs.

Mr. WILSON, of Iowa, (Rep.,) introduced a resolution, instructing the Committee on the Judiciary to inquire whether the KENNEDY who wrote the recently published letter to JACOB THOMPSON, is the same who now holds the office of Superintendent of the Census.

Mr. COX objected, saying it was known that Mr. KENNEDY still held the office.

The House considered the bill to supply the deficiencies for the year ending with June next.

Mr. COX regarded all deficiency bills as leading to corrupt legislation.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, replied, showing that thousands of volunteers had been added to the army since the last session; hence provision should be made for their payment.

The bill passed. The House adjourned.

THE McDOWELL COURT OF INQUIRY.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 22.

In the McDOWELL Court of Inquiry to-day Gen. SIGEL, upon his own request, underwent a critical examination into the nature of the charges, which he had preferred against McDOWELL last Saturday. He did not mean to impeach the latter's loyalty, but to point out, though unwillingly, the occasions when Gen. McDOWELL had in his judgment displayed incapacity. He gave in detail the reasons which induced such opinion referring to Gen. McDOWELL's conduct at Thoroughfare Gap. He stated that the bulk of Gen. McDOWELL's army was encamped but a short distance therefrom; that the roads were good, and the only force required to hold it would have been about 10,000 men. These might have easily retarded the enemy for a day or so, and utterly deranged his movements. He also charged upon Gen. McDOWELL a want of attention to the position of his (SIGEL's) corps, with which McDOWELL was at that time coöperating, and a want of discretion in bringing his troops into action at the battle of Manassas.

THE PORTER COURT-MARTIAL.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 22.

The Porter Court-Martial held a brief session to-day. The following witnesses were examined in reference to the condition of the road from Warrenton to Bristow Station, and as to the character of the night of Aug. 27: Col. BENJ. F. SMITH, Lieut. EDWARD BROOKS and Capt. W. B. C. DURYEA. Here the Court gave notice that they had concluded the examination of witnesses on the part of the Government. No witnesses for the defence being accessible, at the request of Gen. PORTER, the Court adjourned over till Wednesday.

NEWS FROM THE SOUTH.

Reports from Richmond via Fortress Monroe.

ARRIVAL OF NATIONAL PRISONERS.

FORTRESS MONROE, Sunday, Dec. 21.

It will be seen from the Richmond newspaper account of the battle at Fredericksburgh, that while Gen. LEE, in his official report, places their loss at 1,800 killed and wounded, the same papers containing it say that up to Monday, 2,000 Confederate wounded had arrived in Richmond, and mention many more at Fredericksburgh dépôt, drenched with rain and unprovided for.

The Richmond *Enquirer* of the 18th, says:

"There arrived at Castle Thunder, yesterday, A. C. WEBSTER, charged with the murder of Capt. SIMPSON, a Confederate prisoner of war; DAVID ROBERTSON, unable to account for himself; A. M. DARNELL, charged having a forged pass, and AARON BENNETT, charged with disloyalty."

—Up to yesterday morning 229 Abolition prisoners had arrived at the Libby Prison from the Rappahannock, among whom are Capt. S. S. MERCHANT, One Hundred and Thirty-sixth Pennsylvania; Lieut. JOHN E. POWERS, Second Virginia; F. LAMB, United States Telegraph Corps; WM. FOSTER, of New-York, and a number of sutlers and clerks.

—Last evening 460 more prisoners arrived, including 11 commissioned officers. The men were in fine spirits, and indulged in joking remarks, saying they had arrived here before "BURNEY," taking Richmond by themselves.

—Heavy firing was heard near Kinston all day yesterday, (17th,) but we have no particulars.

—During last week reinforcements were constantly being sent to Suffolk. The report was Petersburgh is to be attacked from Suffolk, while another force was to land at City Point under the protection of iron-clads. Since BURNSIDE's defeat, it is believed the programme has been changed.

GOLDSBORO, Tuesday, Dec. 16.

The artillery duel at White Hall, sixteen miles East of this point on the Neuse has been going on all day. The Abolitionists seem to have changed their base to the South side of the Neuse. Their cavalry made a raid on Mount Olive depot on the Wilmington Railroad, nine miles from this point, tearing up the road, burning bridges and depots and cutting telegraph wires.

—An explosion occurred at the powder works in Columbus, S. C., on Saturday afternoon.

MOBILE, Saturday, Dec. 13.

Col. BARTRAN's scouts burned 1,500 bales of cotton belonging to Yankee speculators near Corinth.

RALEIGH, Tuesday, Dec. 16.

The bill to raise 10,000 troops for the State defence passed the second reading in the House to-day. The troops are to be taken from those liable to conscription.

THE NEW-ENGLAND SOCIETY.

Anniversary Dinner at the Astor House.

Speeches of Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, John Van Buren, Wm. M. Evarts, and Others.

The Sons of New-England held their annual festival at the Astor House last evening. At 7 o'clock the three large tables running the entire length of the dining-room were filled with the members of the Society and the prominent natives of New-England residing in or transiently stopping in New-York. WM M. EVARTS, Esq., President of the Society, presided at the officers' table, having as guests Brig.-Gen. ANDREWS and Gen. WHITE, of Massachusetts; Judge DALY, President of the St. Patrick's Society; ED. WALKER, Esq., of the St. George's Society; PARKE GODWIN, Esq., of the New-York *Evening Post*, and other gentlemen. Each table was decorated with pyramidal confections and pieces descriptive of the landing of the Pilgrims, and a *fac simile* of the *May-flower*. The room and all the tables were lighted with red, white and blue candles. Full justice having been done to the luxuries provided by the host, Mr. STETSON, and the cloth having been removed, the toasts were then taken up.

SPEECH OF THE PRESIDENT.

The day celebrated, he said, was one which marked the completion of an important event in the history of the world, the emigration of the Pilgrims—an emigration prompted by none of the selfish motives which usually give rise to such enterprises, but undertaken and accomplished by men who faced the dangers of the deep, and of the New World, that they might preserve their principles, the only property they brought with them, and, as subsequent events had proved, the best and most profitable they could have brought.

In San Francisco another New England Society was celebrating this Anniversary, and but for the Rebellion, it would be celebrated by similar societies in Charleston and New-Orleans. JOHN C. CALHOUN had once said to him that the formation of the Federal Government (which he called the best Government) was due to the statesmen of New-England, and that but for their influence a different and worse Government would have been formed. Men talked of excluding New-England from the future councils and Government of the country; but she would have in the future the same share in the direction of the affairs of the nation that she had had in the past and has in the present—the share to which her wisdom and patriotism justly entitled her, and no more.

The President announced that the New-England Society of New-York had telegraphed a sentiment to the sister Society of Montreal, and received a response, as follows:

"The New-England Society of the City of New-York to the New-England Society of Montreal, sends greeting: Wherever the children of New-England gather together to celebrate this day, may they bear true witness to those principles of civil and religious liberty, which their Pilgrim Fatheas loved."

The New-Englaud Society of Montreal to the New-England Society of New-York, send their greeting. Although residing under the British flag, our hearts beat warmly to the descendants of the Pilgrims wherever scattered. We heartily sympathize with them, whether in their quiet New-England homes, in the capital of the Western World, in the field, or in hospital, in this hour of our country's need. May the next return of this day find a united, free and peaceful Republic.

The following regular toasts were then read, and favorably received:

1. *The Day we Celebrate*—An era in the history of civil and religious liberty; it commemorates the sacrifices, the virtues and the zeal of our Pilgrim Fathers, and serves to kindle anew our reverence for their pious patriotism, and our attachment to free institutions.

2. *The President of the United States.*

3. *The Governor of the State of New-York.*

4. *The City of New-York.*—First in population, commerce and wealth; she owes this greatness to the Union of the States; she will give her strength to uphold and defend it.

Mayor OPDYKE responded to the toast, *The City of New-York.* He felt that the wealth, the greatness and the munificence of the City spoke for it in tones more loud and eloquent than any he could command. He would speak first of New-England. He could honestly say that he cherished an intense admiration for the New-England character; but, lest he should be suspected of a desire to flatter, he would speak of that character as he had heard another speak of it—a Southern slaveholder and Democrat—and therefore not liable to the suspicion of being prejudiced in favor of New-England. He had listened to a conversation in Paris between this gentleman and an Italian upon national characteristics. The Italian asked the American which of the countries through which he had traveled was most advanced in civilization and refinement. The American replied that in some respects England was entitled to that position, in other respects France, and in others Germany; but that the only country where the best qualities of all these were combined in the same people, and shared by all the people, was New-England.

Of New-York he would say that she had already given to the country 75,000 volunteers and $250,000,000; and that her patriotism would continue as bounteous as it had always been until the rebellion should be suppressed. There was a moral sublimity about the patriotism of New-York which could only be appreciated by remembering that it was a Democratic City, upon the support of which the leaders of the rebellion had relied, and whose people had to break old and strong political ties in refusing such support and rushed to the defence of the General Government. He was sure that the present attitude of hostility to the Administration assumed by the Democratic Party was not dictated by any sympathy with rebellion, but only by the very natural feeling that they were better qualified than any other party to govern the country.

The next regular toast:

5. *Our Country*—Founded on the principles of our Pilgrim Fathers, like the Rock on which they landed—it shall stand unshaken, and be forever the home of all races—the common inheritance of all mankind.

Was responded to by Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER:

He had lately heard something which led him to believe that not a few men in the country were becoming ashamed of New-England. ["Never."] If any man was ashamed of New-England, he might be sure that New-England had first occasion to be ashamed of him. It would be impertinent in him to ask the Yankees whom he saw before him, whether the time had come when a New-Englander should hide his head with shame at the mention of his country, and of the principles which, working themselves out in that country, had made her what she now is. No man could be ashamed of New-England. Men might hate her, as the devil hates Heaven; but no one could despise her. He would concede that a real Yankee was an inquisitive and somewhat medlesome person; but he attributed this to an super-charge of brain. Understanding that the whole world was his legitimate field of operation, the Yankee inquired about and interfered with everything in it, feeling all the time that he was only a heading to his own business. He was very troublesome when a man wanted quiet. He was a super-active, prying, stimulating creature. He was the born radical of modern civilization. There were two sorts of radicalism—radicalism of the passions, basilar radicalism, which was ferocious, desperate and damnable; and radicalism of the sentiments—a radicalism which insisted that that which was right should be made to appear right, that truth should reign, that the pure should take precedence of the impure, that the good should yield to the better, and that the best should be set above above all. Every man who, in the Old World or the New, had taken part in the promotion of the protestant, contestant, Puritan idea—every man who had anything to do with fashioning the ideas upon which New-England policy and character were based—was a radical of the latter kind.

It had been said New-Englanders were men of one idea—restless, disturbing men; and it was partly true. But was New-England like a weazen-faced shrew, always talking of virtue, but making all who saw her dread it? Where in the world did men live more as men should live than in New-England? And yet, to any one who saw it, New-England before the landing of the Pilgrims, it would have appeared the last place where men would choose to settle themselves to work out a new and advanced civilization. It seemed as if God had determined to settle the vexed question whether liberty or despotism was better for man, and had said: "I will place liberty in the poorest part of the world, where there shall be only ice in Winter and rocks in Summer, and despotism in the richest and most highly-favored portion of the earth, leaving each to work out its own civilization. Each had worked out its own civilization before the eyes of the world, which would judge between them. New-England, laboring under great natural disabilities, had become intelligent and rich, while the South, with all natural advantages, had failed to become either.

There were men who talked of forming a new Union, from which New-England should be excluded. New-England could not be kept out. She was the pick-lock of the world. Her strength lay in her ideas, and they could not be hemmed in or shut out by any geographical lines.

The next regular toast:

6. *The Constitution of the United States*—A sacred compact of the people to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defence, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity,

was loudly and unanimously cheered.

Rev. Dr. LOTHROP, of Boston, responded humorously to the toast:

7. *Our Common Schools*—They underlie the essential power and glory of New-England, and are everywhere the best nurseries of public and private virtue, enlightened liberty and true patriotism.

The regular toast next in order,

8. *The Clergy*—As faithful teachers of Divine Wisdom their influenece is universal; may it ever be exerted in behalf of the eternal sentiments of religion and virtue, freedom and justice,

was eloquently responded to by Rev. Dr. STORRS of Brooklyn.

9. *The Army and Navy of the United States*—Devoted to the safety and permanence of the Government; their honor is in obedience to the laws; their fame in the triumph of the Constitution over the rebellion.

Responded to by Brig.-Gens. ANDREWS and WHITE, of Massachusetts.

10. *The Press*—The terror of despots—the glory of freemen; its influence is co-extensive with civilization—its power as universal as the intelligence of mankind.

PARKE GOODWIN, Esq., of the *Evening Post*, responded on behalf of the Press, claiming that its true mission was to teach the principles of liberty to all mankind.

11. *Our Sister Charitable Societies*—Colaborers in a noble cause; we welcome as our guests their honored representatives.

Responded to by EDWARD WALKER, Esq., on behalf of the St. George's Society; Hon. Judge DALY, for the St. Patrick's Society; and JOHN VAN BUREN, Esq., for the St. Nicholas Society.

Mr. VAN BUREN said he never before had attended a festive gathering of the Sons of New-England, but he was proud to be with them to-night. [Some one here called out, "He's a traitor," but by order of President EVARTS the interrupter was put out of the room.] As JOHN VAN BUREN, lately so much spoken of, he was not there to-night, but as a representative of the St. Nicholas Society. There were many things in which the old Dutch and old New-Englanders assimilated, and many in which they differed. He should mention only the former. They agreed as to the beneficial effects of these social gatherings, and the descendants of both classes now agreed as to the present war. It was an unholy rebellion against the best Government on earth, and must be put down at all hazards by the power of the loyal people. Any reconstructed Union, with New-England left out in the cold, would never meet the approbation of the St. Nicholas Society. He was not ready to say of the States composing New-England, "Wayward Sisters, depart in peace." He closed by proposing the health of Hon. Wm. H. SEWARD, a descendant of the Puritans, transplanted to New-York, and whose family thrived by the transplanting. [Applause.]

The health of Mr. SEWARD was drunk with enthusiasm.

12. *The Old Homesteads of New-England*—The abodes of industry and intelligence—of piety and patriotism; they are fresh in our memories and hallowed in our affections.

13. *Woman*—The best teacher and guardian of sound principles and true happiness.

The regular toasts being concluded, volunteer toasts were offered, and the company dispersed between 1 and 2 o'clock this morning.

Death of a United States Senator.

BALTIMORE, Monday, Dec. 22.

Hon. JAMES A. PEARCE, United States Senator from Maryland, died at Charlestown on Saturday, aged 56.

MILITARY FUNERAL.—The funeral of Lieut. BIRMINGHAM, of MEAGHER's Irish Brigade, who was killed at the battle of Fredericksburgh, will take place to-day. The officers of the Sixty-ninth Regiment, N. Y. S. N. G., are requested by Maj. BAGLEY to assemble at their Armory, Essex Market, at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of proceeding to the funeral.

BROOKLYN ACADEMY OF MUSIC.—EDWIN BOOTH opens to-night at this establishment in "Richelieu," (not as stated by mistake in some advertisements on Monday) and there is already a prospect of the most brilliant house seen for a long time at the Academy. Five hundred seats had been disposed of last evening. We doubt not many of Mr. BOOTH's New-York friends will pay a visit to Brooklyn to welcome their favorite

[Advertisement.]

NOTICE.—The Fifth-avenue Skating Pond will open on Wednesday, Dec. 24, when everything will be in readiness for the reception of members and those wishing to join.

Season tickets for a gentleman and two ladies..	$10 00
Single ticket for a gentleman..................	5 00
Ladies' tickets................................	2 50
Minors under fifteen years of age..............	3 00

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[Advertisement.]

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[Advertisement.]

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have prepared new and elegant styles of
Hats and Caps for the
HOLIDAY AND SKATING SEASON.

[Advertisement.]

LECTURE ON HUMAN CHARACTER—Physiology, Phrenology, Physiognomy, in Lincoln Hall, corner of Eighth-avenue and Thirty-third-street, to-night. Open at 7, commence at 8 o'clock. Tickets 25 cents. To be had at FOWLER & WELLS, No. 308 Broadway, and at the door.

[Advertisement.]

HERRING's Patent Champion Fire-proof Safes, and HERRING's new Patent Burglar-proof Safes, with HERRING & FLOYD's Patent Crystalized Iron—the only material which cannot be drilled—at No. 251 Broadway, New-York.

MINIATURE ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises.... 7 21 | Sun sets.... 4 37 | Moon sets.... 7 59

HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.

Sandy Hook. 9 42 | Gov. Island.10 31 | Hell Gate....11 53

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....MONDAY, Dec. 22.

Arrived.

Steamship Bavaria, (Hamb.,) Weier, Hamburg Nov. 30, and Southampton Dec. 3, with mdse. and 167 passengers to Kunhardt & Co. Had heavy westerly gales, with a great deal of snow and heavy head sea, during the passage. Arrived off Sandy Hook this morning, at 7 A. M., and off the Battery at 8½ A. M.

U. S. steam transport Thomas Swann, Nichols, Washington, D. C., 32 hours, in ballast to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster.

U. S. steam transport Patapsco, Bearse, Washington, D. C., 50 hours, in ballast to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster.

Steamship Parkersburgh, Hoffman, Portland, Me., with mdse. and passengers to H. B. Cromwell & Co.

Steam transport Thomas Sparks, Allen, Wilmington, Del., via Philadelphia, in ballast to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster.

U. S. Mail steamship Union, Wilson, Havana Dec. 15, at 3 P. M., with mdse. and passengers to Hargous & Co.

Ship Richard S. Ely, Livingston, Liverpool Oct. 30, with mdse. and 24 passengers to Howland & Frothingham. During the passage a colored seaman, name unknown, fell from aloft on deck and was killed. 8th inst., on the western edge of the Banks, saw a suspicious looking bark, apparently a privateer, and another bark close by; hove to; a snow-squall came on soon after, when we lost sight of her, and when it abated saw the two vessels together; we sailing very fast at the time soon ran her out of sight.

Ship Hemisphere, Taylor, Liverpool Nov. 6, with mdse. and 38 passengers to John A. McGaw. Nov. 18, lat. 43 [illegible], lon. 21 16, exchanged signals with a ship showing the 34 distg. pendant, No. 8,403. Dec. 18, lat. 41 18, lon. 67 32, exchanged signals with same ship. Dec. 8, 9 and 10, saw several icebergs.

Ship Constitution, (Br.,) Cutten, Liverpool Oct. 21, with mdse. and 261 passengers to Williams & Guion. (One infant died.) Had westerly winds the entire passage. John Williams, seaman, fell from aloft overboard, and was lost.

Ship Daring, (of Boston,) Simmonson, Liverpool Oct. 28, with mdse. to Cornelius Comstock. Dec. 7, Robert Ogg, a boy, fell overboard, and was drowned.

Ship E. W. Stetson, (of Damariscotta, new,) Reed, Damariscotta 4 ds., in ballast to Nesmith & Sons. Is of 1,113 tons burden.

Ship West Point, Child, Liverpool Oct. 30, with mdse. to Charles Carow. Has experienced heavy westerly weather the entire passage.

Ship S. L. Tilly, (Br., of Yarmouth, N. S.,) Cook, Greenock 50 ds., with coal to Boyd & Hincken.

Ship North American, Colyer, London 53 ds., in ballast to Dunbar & Colby.

Ship Monarch of the Sea, Spencer, Liverpool Oct. 29, with mdse. to Lawrence, Giles & Co.

Ship Bushire, (Br., of St. John, N. B.,) Card, Liverpool 39 ds., in ballast to Edmiston Bros.

Ship Nubia, (Br., of Londonderry,) Sarge, Greenock 46 ds., with coal to G. & J. Knox.

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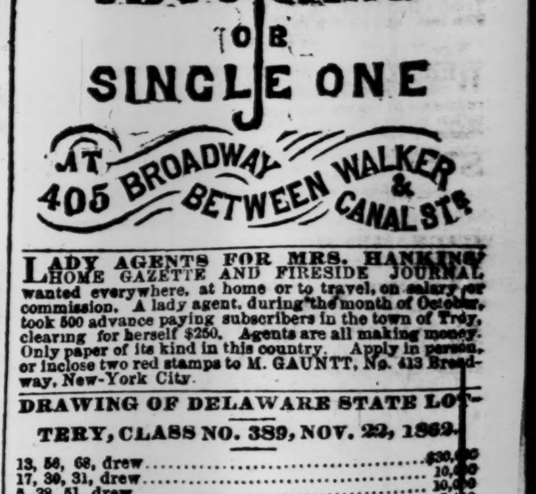

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